

The Weather
Oakland, Calif.,
Santa Clara, Sac-
ramento and San
Francisco Valleys—
Clear tonight and
Wednesday; light
frost early to-
morrow morning;
light north winds.



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GERMANY MAKES PROPOSALS FOR PEACE

WILL RESTORE TERRITORY

U.S. WAITS DETAILS OF PROFFER TO END WAR

State Department Has Only
Informal Information of the
Peace Proposal That Ger-
many Has Made to Neutrals

CABINET DISCUSSES
NEWS—NON-COMMITTAL

Lansing Refuses to Make Any
Comment Until He Knows
More, But Indicates That the
News Is Cause of Happiness

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—If Ger-
many's peace proposals are such that
she merely wishes the United States
to act as courier in transmitting them,
this government will pass the propo-
sals along without any comment of
her own.

On the other hand, if Germany's
proposals are that the United States
itself, along with other neutral
nations, shall make proposals in their
own name in Germany's behalf, the
administration will study the propo-
sal before taking action.

This does not mean, however, that
the United States would not transmit
the proposals under the second plan.

OFFICIALLY REVEALED.

These facts were officially revealed
at the State Department shortly after
Secretary Lansing was shown des-
patches from Berlin saying that Ger-
many had initiated a peace move. In
the absence, however, of exact infor-
mation as to what Germany thinks,
Secretary Lansing withheld comment.
His only statement for publication

was:

"I know nothing about it and

have nothing to say.

He would not indicate whether the

proposals came as a surprise to him,

but his manner indicated more clearly

than words that the German news

was probably the happiest word he

had heard from Berlin in months.

Advices from Berlin to the German

embassy indicate that Germany's

peace terms in general measure pro-

pose the restoration of the status quo

before the war with the exception of

the establishment of independent

kingdoms of Poland and Lithuania.

They are understood to propose the

complete restoration of the occupied

portions of Belgium and France in

return for Germany's captured col-

onies and to dispose of the Balkan

situation because of its extremely com-

plicated nature, in the peace confer-

ence.

NO COMMENT.

After the news of Germany's peace

proposals had been discussed at the

cabinet meeting, Secretary Lansing

and the other members said no of-

ficial comment could be made.

At the time the cabinet met the full

proposals had not been received. It

was stated that consideration had not

been given to any steps which the

United States itself might take. No

official word of the proposals had

been received by the state department

late this afternoon.

By handing the note to the repre-

Peace Uncertain; Fight On, Kaiser Tells His Generals

Enemy May Not Accept Proposal, Says Note

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A Cen-
tral News despatch from Amsterdam
says it is announced officially in
Berlin that Emperor William has
notified his commanding generals of
Germany's peace offer and has in-
formed them it is still uncertain
whether the offer will be accepted.
Until that uncertainty is ended, the
message adds, they are to fight on.
The message is quoted as follows:

Soldiers—In an agreement
with the sovereigns of my allies
and with the consciousness
of victory, I have made an of-
fer of peace to the enemy.
Whether it will be accepted is
still uncertain. Until that mo-
ment arrives, you will fight on.

British Foreign Office Silent; Public Skeptical

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The foreign
office today said that it is unable to
discuss the German peace until the
terms have been received. Meanwhile
the attitude of the British govern-
ment towards peace remains as
frequently enunciated by the former
Premier and foreign secretary. A gen-
eral note of pessimism prevails in
London. One prominent official ex-
pressed himself as being very skeptical
that the proposed terms would offer
even a basis for negotiation.

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Austria Issues Official Statement

LONDON, Dec. 12.—An official
Austrian statement, referring to the
peace offer, says:

"The summer of 1914
the patience of Austria-Hungary
was exhausted by a series of sys-
tematically continued and ever
increasing provocations and
measures and the monarchy,
after almost fifty years of un-
broken peace, found itself com-
pelled to draw the sword. This
weighty decision was animated
neither by aggressive purposes
nor by desire of conquest, but
solely by the bitter necessity of
self-defense.

German Ambassador Withholds Comment

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—When
German Ambassador Von Bernstorff
received the wireless message from
Berlin today informing him of Ger-
many's peace proposals he sent word
to the newspaper correspondents that
the morning interview could be
"somewhat later" than usual.

Representatives of the United States, Spain
and Switzerland, Germany really
transmitted it directly to her enemy
nations. Under existing conditions
of this is the only possible course of
the diplomatic intercourse between the
central powers and the entente allies.
The procedure in transmission of
Germany's peace proposals will be
identical in the cases of all the neutral
powers whose aid is invoked.

TRANSMIT TEXT.

The diplomatic representatives of
America, Spain and Switzerland will
forward the note handed them by
Bethmann-Hollweg to their respective
capitals. The foreign offices, or state
departments, of these neutral nations
will then transmit the text to the
American, Spanish and Swiss am-
bassadors or ministers at the capital
of the entente allies. These ambassadors
will, in turn, formally deliver the
note to the governments of the
entente nations.

The same procedure will be fol-
lowed in the case of formal replies to
the peace propositions. England, for
instance, probably will give to the
American ambassador, the Spanish
ambassador and the Swiss minister,
identical notes detailing their response
to Germany's proposals. These will
be transmitted to the capitals of the
United States, Spain and Switzerland
and through diplomatic channels for-
mally handed to Germany through the
agency of the American, Spanish and
Swiss diplomatic representatives at
Berlin.

NEUTRALS ARE ASKED TO ACT

GERMANY'S TERMS OF PEACE TO ENTENTE

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—Following is the text of the note addressed by
Germany and her allies to the hostile governments:

The most terrific war ever
experienced in history has been
raging for the last two years
and a half over a large part
of the world—a catastrophe
which thousands of years of
common civilization was un-
able to prevent, and which in-
jures most precious achieve-
ments of humanity.

Our aims are not to shat-
ter nor annihilate our adver-
saries. In spite of our con-
sciousness of our military and
economic strength and our
readiness to continue the war,
(which has been forced upon
us) until the bitter end, if
necessary, at the same time,
prompted by the desire to avoid
further bloodshed and make an
end to the atrocities of war, the
four allied powers propose to
enter forthwith into peace ne-

gotiations.
The proposition which they
bring forward for such nego-
tations and which have for their
object a guarantee of the ex-
istence, of the honor and liber-
ty, of evolution for their na-
tions are, according to their
firm belief, an appropriate
basis for the establishment of a
lasting peace.

The four allied powers have
been obliged to take up arms
to defend justice and the lib-
erty of national evolution. The
glorious deeds of our armies
have in no way altered their
purpose. We always main-
tained the firm belief that our
own rights and justified claims
in no way control the rights of
these nations.

The spiritual and material
progress which were the pride

of Europe at the beginning of
the twentieth century are
threatened with ruin. Germany
and her allies, Austria-Hun-
gary, Bulgaria and Turkey,
gave proof of their unconquer-
able strength in this struggle.
They gained gigantic advan-
tages over adversaries superior
in number and war material.
Our lines stand unshaken
against every repeated attempts
made by armies.

The lost attack in the Bal-
kans has been rapidly and
victoriously overcome. The most
recent events have demon-
strated that further continuance
of the war will not result in break-
ing the resistance of our forces
and the whole situation with re-
gard to our troops justifies our
expectation of further suc-
cesses.

CHANCELLOR'S SPEECH TO REICHSTAG

BERLIN, (via Sayville Wireless), Dec. 12.—Chancellor von Beth-
mann-Hollweg's statement to the Reichstag as issued by the press bu-
reau, is as follows:

Chancellor von Bethmann-
Hollweg today announced in
the Reichstag that Germany,
together with her allies, "con-
scious of their responsibility
before God, before their own
nation and before humanity,"
had proposed this morning to
the hostile powers that they
enter peace negotiations.

Practically all members of
Parliament appeared in answer
to an unexpected summons.

A crowded house and
thronged galleries listened in
respectful silence when the
Chancellor arose for his speech,
in which he first outlined the
extraordinary political situa-
tion and then, insisting upon
the achievements of the cen-
tral powers, made the an-
nouncement which possibly
may act as the turning point in
the war, which for more than
two years has held the world
under a spell.

TELLS OF DECISION.

The Chancellor said it was
fortunate that the Reichstag
had not been adjourned but
the calling of the next meeting
had been left to the discre-
tion of the president.

"This decision," said the
Chancellor, "was caused by
the hope that soon happy events
in the field would be recorded.
That hope has been fulfilled
quicker almost than expected.
I shall be brief, for our ac-
tions speak for themselves.

"Rumania had entered the
war in order to roll up our po-
sition in the east and that of our
allies. At the same time the
grand offensive on the Somme
had for its object the piercing
of our western front and re-
newed Italian attacks had as
their purpose to paralyze Aus-
tria-Hungary. The situation
was serious.

FAVORABLE POSITION.

"But with God's help, our
troops shaped conditions so
that they give us security which
not only is complete, but still
greater than ever before.

"The west front stands firm
and in spite of the Rumanian
campaign, is outfitted with
larger reserves of men and ma-
terial than it had been former-
ly. Most efficient precau-
tions have been taken against
all Italian diversions. And

while on the Somme and the
Karat drumfire resounded;
while the Russians launched
troops against the eastern fron-
tier of Transylvania, Field
Marshal von Hindenburg cap-
tured the whole of western
Wallachia and the hostile cap-
ital of Bucharest, meeting with
unparalleled genius troops
which, in competition with all
allies, made possible this which
hitherto was considered impos-
sible.

And Hindenburg does not
rest. Military operations are
in progress. At the same time
fire foundations have been laid
for our economic needs. Great
stores of grain, victual, oil
and other goods fell into our
hands in Rumania. Transport
immediately began.

"In spite of the scarcity that
existed we could have lived
on our own, but now our safety
is beyond question."

PRaises FIGHTERS.

The Chancellor then, re-
ferred to the fact that added
to the events on land, heroic
deeds of equal importance had
been accomplished by the Ger-
man submarines. He said that
the specter of famine which
Germany's enemies had intend-
ed to appear before Germany
now pursues them. He said
the German empire is not the
besieged fortress which its ad-
versaries had imagined, but is
now a gigantic, firmly disci-
plined camp with inexhaustible
resources, faithfully united
with the Austro-Hungarian,
Turkish and Bulgarian flags.

The Reichstag by means of
the national auxiliary war ser-
vice law, helped to build a new
offensive and defensive bul-
work in the midst of the great
struggle. Behind the fighting
army stands the national work
—the gigantic force of the na-
tion working for the common
aim.

DISCIPLINED CAMP.

The empire is not a besieged
fortress, as our adversaries im-
agined, but one gigantic and
firmly disciplined camp with in-
exhaustible resources. That is
the German empire which is
firmly united with its brothers
in arms, who have been tested
in battle under the Austro-
Hungarian, Turkish and Bul-

CHANCELLOR TELLS REICHSTAG OF PLAN TO END GREAT WAR

Central Powers Conscious of Responsibility to God, Says Bethmann-Hollweg FOR IMMEDIATE NEGOTIATIONS

BERLIN (via Sayville wireless), Dec. 12.—Proposals by the
central powers that peace negotiations be entered into forthwith
were issued in notes handed to representatives of neutral countries
which are representing Germany in belligerent nations today.

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's announcement of Germany
proposing for peace was couched in the following words when he
made the announcement in the Reichstag today:

"Conscious of their responsibility before God, before their
own nation and before humanity," he had proposed this morning
to the hostile powers a plan for peace.

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg called the diplomatic repre-
sentatives of the United States, Spain and Switzerland to his office,
one after the other, and handed this note to them. The full text
of the note will be read in the Reichstag today.

The Chancellor asked the neutral nations which represent Ger-
many and her allied powers at the capitals of the nations with
which she is at war to bring these proposals to the attention of
Germany's enemies.

TEXT OF GERMANY'S PEACE NOTE IS SENT TO VATICAN

The propositions which Germany advances in these negotia-
tions are, according to Germany's belief, appropriate for the es-
tablishment of lasting peace.

The governments at Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia trans-
mitted identical notes.

The text was also communicated to the Vatican at Rome and to
all other neutral powers.

The following announcement was given out today by the
semi-official Overseas News Agency.

"The Chancellor this morning received one after another the
representatives of the United States of America, Spain and Switzer-
land—that is, of the states protecting German interests in hos-
tile foreign countries. The Chancellor transmitted to them a note
and asked them to bring it to the knowledge of the hostile gov-
ernments.

"The note will be read today in the Reichstag by the chancel-
lor.

"In the note the four allied (central) powers propose to enter
immediately into peace negotiations. The propositions which they
bring for such negotiations are, according to their firm belief ap-
propriate for the establishment of a lasting peace.

"The governments of Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia trans-
mitted identical notes and also communicated with the Holy See
and all the neutral powers."

GERMANY DECLINES FURTHER RESPONSIBILITY FOR SLAUGHTER

"If in spite of today's offer of peace and reconciliation, the
struggle between the nations should continue, Germany and her
allies are resolved to continue the war to a victorious end, but they
solemnly decline every responsibility before humanity and history,"
was one of Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweg's outstanding declara-
tions in the Reichstag today.

"Unconfused, we have progressed. It is our firm decision thus
to continue to progress, always ready to defend ourselves to the
end for the nation's existence," he said. "And for its free and safe
future. We are always ready to stretch out the hand of peace.

"Our strength has not made our ears deaf against responsi-
bility before God, before our nation and before humanity."

FORMER ADVANCES EVADED WHEN MADE TO ENTENTE ALLIES

"Former declarations," he said, had been evaded by Ger-
many's adversaries and are now advanced further. During the
long, earnest years of the war, the Chancellor declared, the Em-
peror has been moved by a single thought: How can peace be re-
stored so as to safeguard Germany after a struggle which she
has fought victoriously?"

Immediately after hearing the Chancellor's speech the Reich-
stag adjourned pending a call of the president. In the meantime
the party leaders will confer as to conditions of peace.

Germany's note to Pope Benedict declares Germany is ready to
give peace to the world by setting before the world the question
of whether it is possible to find a basis of understanding.

Vital Urgent

Time is at a pre-
mium as Chris-
mas draws near.
Only 10 more
shopping days be-
fore Christmas.

Shop
Tomorrow

RAIN OR SHINE.

DEPORTATION IS JUSTIFIED, SAYS BERLIN

Germany's Answer to American Note of Protest in Behalf of Belgians, Says That Plan Is Only One to Save Suffering

Measure Is Asserted to Be Humane and Fully in Accord With International Law; Also Duty to An Invading Govt.

BERLIN, Dec. 11, via London, Dec. 12.—Germany's answer to the American note regarding the deportation of Belgians is confined almost exclusively to a presentation of the situation in Belgium before the deportation order became effective. The note declares there was urgent need of some kind of work for the Belgians, because their idleness was causing demoralization and says that the deported workers are assured of well-being in new situations in Germany.

The reply volunteers to permit American diplomatic representatives to visit the workmen's camps and assure themselves that the Belgians are well off. It concludes with an expression of regret that the United States has never seen fit to protest against what it describes as the dragging off of Germans from East Prussia, Alsace and other places to Siberia and elsewhere. These actions, of which it accuses the allies, are characterized in the reply as a severe violation of the laws of humanity.

The note declares that the government is convinced that the United States has been unjustified in regard to the measures which have been taken and says that owing to lack of work 250,000 persons are suffering and an unbearable situation is created. Nothing remained, therefore, the note continues, but to offer the workless situations in Germany, since work for all was not at hand in Belgium. It is contended that the majority of those who have come to Germany are happy and contented, with high wages and increased personal liberties and that only those who prefer to loaf have been compelled to work.

The answer declares that the measure is entirely in accord with international law and cites article 42 of the Hague convention, which requires an invading government to maintain order. This, it is maintained, is possible in Belgium only by providing that people who are able to work shall have opportunity to do so and shall not fall a burden on charity. The note says that the measure has been carried out without severity and with all possible consideration. Mistakes, it asserts, have rarely occurred and have been due in part to the fact that Belgians themselves, in making up the lists of those to be transported to Germany, included persons unaffected by Governor General Blassing's order of May 15, 1915.

The note goes on to say that Belgians now working in Germany are permitted, under the international law, such as legitimate agricultural and industrial pursuits, and that the German government regrets extremely that the situation has been completely misinterpreted in the United States by the "lying press of Germany's enemies."

Eagles' Busy Committee Is Booming Dance



FRANK BRENEISER.

Prominent Members of Oakland Lodge Will Give "Stunts"

More than a hundred committeemen are working for the success of the annual ball and entertainment, which will be given by Oakland Aerie of Eagles Saturday night at the Oakland Auditorium. All of the aeries in Alameda and Contra Costa counties and from San Francisco will send big delegations and the affair is to be made the greatest yet held by Oakland aerie. The members are giving their time without any recompense and every cent realized will be made into the benefit fund of the aerie.

The special stunts committee will have a number of novelties to be put on by the talented members of the aerie. Among those mentioned for prominent roles are Sheriff Frank Harrel, Judge James G. Quinn, Dr. H. B. Mehrmann, Eugene Stachler and many others. A feature will be a program by the drum corps in full uniform.

The officers and past officers have been added to the committee in charge. Past President Frank Breneiser, who will be presented with a diamond badge, symbol of the order, on Monday evening, January 8, will be among those in active charge.

Further Rumanian Territory Is Occupied

SOFIA, Dec. 12.—"Our allies are advancing incessantly," said today's official statement. "We occupied Rumanian territory on the Danube between Turtukal and Cernavoda."

Wixson Gains 25 Votes in Recount

In eight precincts counted up to noon, Robert Wixson, who contested the election with Supervisor John Mullins in the Fifth district, had gained 25 votes in the official court recount now going on before Superior Judge Wells.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect Laxative Bromo Quinine can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. There is only one "Bromo Quinine," R. W. GROVER'S signature is on box. 25c.

IMMIGRATION BILL CHANGE PASSES

Senate Adopts Measure Excluding Hindus and Other Asiatics.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—By a vote of 42 to 13, the Senate late today adopted the committee amendment to the immigration bill, which would exclude Hindus and other Asiatics without mentioning them by name and which eliminates from the bill all reference to passport agreements.

Senator Works said the people of California do not claim the Japanese are an inferior race, but are against Japanese immigration because the race does not assimilate with the white race. He said he believed the Root-Takahira agreement was being violated by the entrance into this country of Japanese women. He said there were 100,000 Japanese males in this country, most of them in California. He predicted that if Japanese women were not forbidden entrance most of the men would soon be married and would have families.

Under California law, he pointed out, children of Japanese born in California would be citizens. He declared the law prohibiting ownership of land by Japanese is being violated now by conveyances to Japanese children born in the state.

"I hope," he said in conclusion, "that we will not become a nation of cowards, afraid to protect our own land against any nation on earth."

Senator Chandler said he favored going further than the bill does and stating by name the peoples that should be excluded. He said he had no fear of war over such a bill, but added that it was the United States that would be prepared.

Candidates Receive High Masonic Degree

One of the largest gatherings of the Scottish Rite Masons ever held in Oakland witnessed the conferring of the thirty-second degree at Scottish Rite Cathedral last evening. Following the conferring of the degree a banquet was held. J. H. MacLafferty, who has recently returned from the Orient, gave an interesting talk on his trip abroad. A number of musical selections were given. The thirty-second degree was conferred upon the following candidates: G. W. Appleton, E. L. Gray, W. W. Shannon, J. H. McCall, S. L. Bishop, R. D. Mapledson, C. S. Hughes, George H. Harris, Charles Birchler, W. C. Rawson, A. W. Kirk, L. E. Truesen, O. V. McCracken, L. V. Hallgren, W. G. Mellen, H. G. Spies, K. C. Abler, R. H. Merken, L. E. Gray, A. H. Van Rott, J. La Pelle, E. B. Jamieson, R. B. Becker, L. M. Bell, H. Gier, S. P. Walton, R. E. Milligan.

Civil War Veteran Buried by Comrades

The funeral of Colonel Marie Ralph Vernon, a Civil War veteran, who died Sunday, was held under the direction of the Grand Army of the Republic. A service in which many army comrades joined was held at the graveside in Mount View cemetery.

Colonel Vernon was 84 years of age. He was a native of Chester, Pa. He served through many of the big engagements of the Civil War, was captain of Company K of the Seventy-eighth Infantry. He was promoted to lieutenant colonel and then to colonel of the same regiment. He was a member of the Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.

Concert, Lecture Are on U. of C. Calendar

BERKELEY, Dec. 12.—The University of California's calendar for the week announces but few events of importance, in progress. Percy Aldridge Grainger's concert is to be held, under the auspices of the Berkeley Musical Association, this evening. The musical will be held at 8:15 o'clock in Harmon gymnasium.

The University Faculty Club will hold a club evening at 7 o'clock Wednesday and Dr. O. M. W. Vreeland's lecture on "Great Ancient Art: Paintings of the Etruscans," at 8 o'clock, Sunday, in the museum of the University of California, will conclude the week's program.

Postpone Celebration of Opening of Avenue

ALAMEDA, Dec. 12.—The Chamber of Commerce will hold in abeyance until after the holidays its celebration of the opening of the new highway, originally planned for the first part of December. The avenue will be completed in a few days and the Chamber of Commerce and New Year's festival of the Chamber of Commerce to decide to postpone the celebration.

Name Profane, Says Jordan of Company

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12.—The Damara Cure Company was denied by Secretary of State Jordan because the name sought is profane, and because its use would be against public authority. Jordan also held that the name is descriptive, and therefore cannot be used as a trade mark.

Snowfall Hinders Fighting at Monastir

PARIS, Dec. 12.—All operations north of Monastir have been hindered by snowfall, but the allied forces, nevertheless, took five small Bulgarian posts on the right bank of the Vardar, today's official statement reported.

Dentist Appointed to State Position

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12.—Governor Hiram W. Johnson today appointed Harry C. Newman of Los Angeles as a member of the State Board of Dental Examiners. The appointment is to fill the place of C. E. Wright, whose term has expired.

\$8,000,000 in Gold Shipped to Morgan

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Gold to the amount of \$8,000,000 was received from Canada today on the account of J. P. Morgan and Company and is being transferred to the Philadelphia mint.

Two Are Killed in Angel's Camp Mines

ANGELS CAMP, Dec. 12.—John Conte, a foreman, and Frank Martel, a miner, were instantly killed in the Mica cross shaft here this morning when a heavy skip plunged 1700 feet down the shaft and crushed them. Two other miners miraculously escaped.

FORESTERS' WHIST PARTY. BERKELEY, Dec. 12.—Berkeley lodge of Foresters will give a whist party at Native Sons' Hall in Berkeley on Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock.

GAME WARDEN WAS MURDERED, BELIEF

Body, Riddled With Bullets, Is Found in Launch Near Island.

STOCKTON, Dec. 12.—Richard J. Squire of Lodi and Ray J. Heacock, deputy fish and game warden, were murdered supposedly by Greek fishermen last night on Houding Island.

The body of Squire was found riddled with bullets, in the bottom of his launch during the night by Walter and Frank Tinsley, also fishermen. The body of Heacock is missing.

Squire has been a deputy game warden for a number of years. During late years he has been very vigorous in enforcing the law against using illegal fishing methods in the Delta districts. He had made many arrests for using illegal nets, catching under-size fish, etc., and had incurred the bitter enmity of law violators in that district. Last night, accompanied by Heacock, he made a secret excursion into the delta waters.

Frank Tinsley states that while he and his brother were going out to put their nets they saw Squire and Heacock in a launch. The Tinsleys brothers rode on and soon came upon a gang of five Greek fishermen in boats in the act of putting out nets. The Greeks held the Tinsleys up at the point of guns but the Tinsleys yelled, "Don't shoot, we are fishermen ourselves."

The Greeks allowed them to proceed. Not long thereafter, they heard several shots fired.

Later the Tinsleys found the game warden's launch adrift with the body of Squire lying in the bottom, riddled with bullets. The Greeks had fled. Heacock was missing.

The Tinsleys brought the body of Squire to Terminous and telephoned the sheriff's office here.

Rockies to Become America's Switzerland?

DENVER, Dec. 12.—To make the Rocky Mountain National park country the winter Switzerland of America as well as this country's choicest summer resort is the big idea that L. C. Way, supervisor of the park is working on today.

"It is a land of marvelous beauty," Way declared. "It gets you and holds you. There is room for every kind of winter sport—snowshoeing, tobogganing and hockey—and the air is never too cold. Why, we play golf all winter in Estes park. We are putting on two ski courses in the lake near the summit of the very top of the mountain."

"When I get the program of winter sports arranged we expect to make the park the best known winter resort on the continent."

Supervisor Way is building for the future, too. More and better roads for the automobilist, trails and footpaths for the hiker, these will be built as fast as appropriations for the work can be secured.

The transportation companies figure there will be 300,000 visitors to the park during next summer.

16 Belgians Killed in Deportation Riot

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 12.—Killing of sixteen Belgians in a riot at Turcoing, Belgium, due to the deportation of Belgians, was reported by the newspaper Echoes de Belge today. A German soldier who struck a Belgian with the butt of his gun was attacked by the crowd, and the Germans responded with a fusillade, says the article. Many were wounded. Fifty Belgians were arrested.

Advisory Committee Considers Harbor Plan

Mayor Davies' newly appointed Citizens' Advisory Committee, which has been asked to look into every phase of the proposition of the 99-year lease of western waterfront lands, met and organized last night in the mayor's chambers.

Roscoe D. Jones was elected permanent chairman, Dr. L. F. Herrick vice-chairman and Dr. E. E. Pratt secretary.

After a discussion of the history of the waterfront development since the founding of Oakland, the committee adjourned to the hall of the chair.

Two Are Hurt When Auto Strikes Car

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Hermann Husung, 1275 Howard street, is at Mission hospital with a fractured skull and internal injuries, and J. Tussman, chauffeur, who was driving for him when the machine struck a Municipal car this afternoon, is badly bruised. The accident took place on Potrero avenue.

Broken Leg Results From Auto Accident

Run into by a jitney bus at Twenty-second street and San Pablo avenue late this afternoon, Dr. E. E. Pratt, who was driving for him when the machine struck a Municipal car this afternoon, is badly bruised. The accident took place on Potrero avenue.

French Stop Attack by Germans in West

PARIS, Dec. 12.—A German attack in the wood of Des Loges, north of Lassigny, was stopped yesterday evening, today's official statement asserted. The usual cannonading and fire screening operations were reported elsewhere along the front.

Benefit Concert Will Be Offered by Church

A benefit concert will be held Friday evening by members of the Centennial Methodist Episcopal Church, Ninth and Chester streets, to augment the repair fund of the congregation. Under the direction of Howard E. Pratt, who will take a prominent part in the musical program, a long list of solo and choral numbers has been arranged.

Seminary Park Club to Hold Masquerade

The Seminary Park Improvement Club will hold a masquerade ball in Patterson's Hall, East Fourteenth street and Fifty-fourth avenue, Friday evening. The affair will be the first of a series of winter socials to be given by the club.

"6-Cent Movie" Is Latest in Detroit

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 12.—The "6-cent movie" has come into existence in Detroit. A local theater has added 1 cent to its former admission 5-cent price because of a 20 per cent increase in the cost of films. The managers report no decrease in attendance.

Democratic Electors Receive Certificate

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12.—Governor Johnson today issued certificates to the thirteen Democratic electors. The electors will meet at the state capital January 8.

Basketball Coach to Be Guest at Banquet

The girls' basketball team of the Oakland Technical High school, will give a dance in the school gymnasium this evening in honor of their coach, Miss Helen London.

Miss Marie Colthurst is chairman of arrangements and has the following committee chairmen as assistants: Miriam Gross, programs; Tom Avers, decorations; Minnie Brooks, finance. The floor committee is as follows:

Maria Colthurst, Leonard Jordan, Miriam Gross, Claude Gravin, Minnie Brooks, Will White, Alma Linn and Harold Gravin. The patrons and patronesses are Miss Carey, Miss Wilder, Miss Skinner, Miss Worsum, C. J. Hamrick, M. J. Cooper, P. M. Fisher and W. Martin.

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For Women:

- 39c a Box—3 lawn handkerchiefs with fancy colored embroidery. Six styles.
- 69c a Box—3 lawn handkerchiefs, embroidered at corner, in colors, some with colored edge or 4 all-white linen handkerchiefs.
- 79c a Box—3 lawn handkerchiefs with colored embroidery in corner, or 6 white lawn handkerchiefs with white embroidery in corner.
- \$1.75 a Box—6 pure linen handkerchiefs with one corner embroidered.

Other Box Specials at 29c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

For Children:

- 15c a Box—3 initialed handkerchiefs, white or colored.
- 25c a Box—3 in a book. In book form, white with colored edge or 3 with fancy embroidery corner with initials.
- 50c a Box—3 in a box. Fancy embroidered corner.

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- Tennis Rackets, with ball attached—50c.
- Football—\$1.00 and \$2.25.
- Boxing Gloves—\$2.75 and \$3.00.
- Big Daisy Pop Guns—50c.
- Daisy Air Rifles—\$1.00 to \$2.00.
- Fire Patrol Wagons (3 men)—\$1.65.
- Sand Toys—15c to \$1.25.
- Toy Chests—10c and 75c.
- Army Tents—75c.
- Painted Rubber Balls—10c to 25c.
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"I wish to express my appreciation of the splendid series of reproductions of my voice which the Victor Company has made. They seem to me remarkably lifelike and faithful."

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"The reproductions of the Victor Records are wonderful. It is my great desire now to seal up and preserve a complete set of my Victor Records for my children."

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"The reproductions of the selections I sang for Victor Records are wonderfully lifelike—they reproduce the natural quality of the human voice."

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"I believe that the process by which the Victor Records are made is the most perfect of all methods of voice reproduction. I have made records exclusively for the Victor since February 1910 and my present contract does not expire until February 1938."

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"I have found Victor Records really wonderful reproductions of my singing."

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"I would like to express my delight at renewing my contract with the Victor Talking Machine Company for ten years more."

"During my extensive travels I have had such a vivid illustration of the great work you are doing for the world that it is with the deepest feeling that I say I'm proud to be a part of such a great work, and that I may long enjoy the privilege is the earnest wish of

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"I have recently listened to the Victor Records of my violin playing and have more than ever been impressed by the marvelous faithfulness with which they reproduce, or rather recreate the minutest details of phrasing and every shade of tone-color, in short, the personality of the player. Truly, Victor Records are the last word of mechanical reproduction and quite justly does the civilized world all over the globe today look upon them as an inexhaustible source of pleasure and education."

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"Every true artist consistently endeavors to improve tone production. The quality of my voice in my Victor Records is so perfectly reproduced that when I study I use them as a standard for comparison."

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"The Victor today is the most relentless but the most just critic, as it reproduces absolutely what the artist has done."

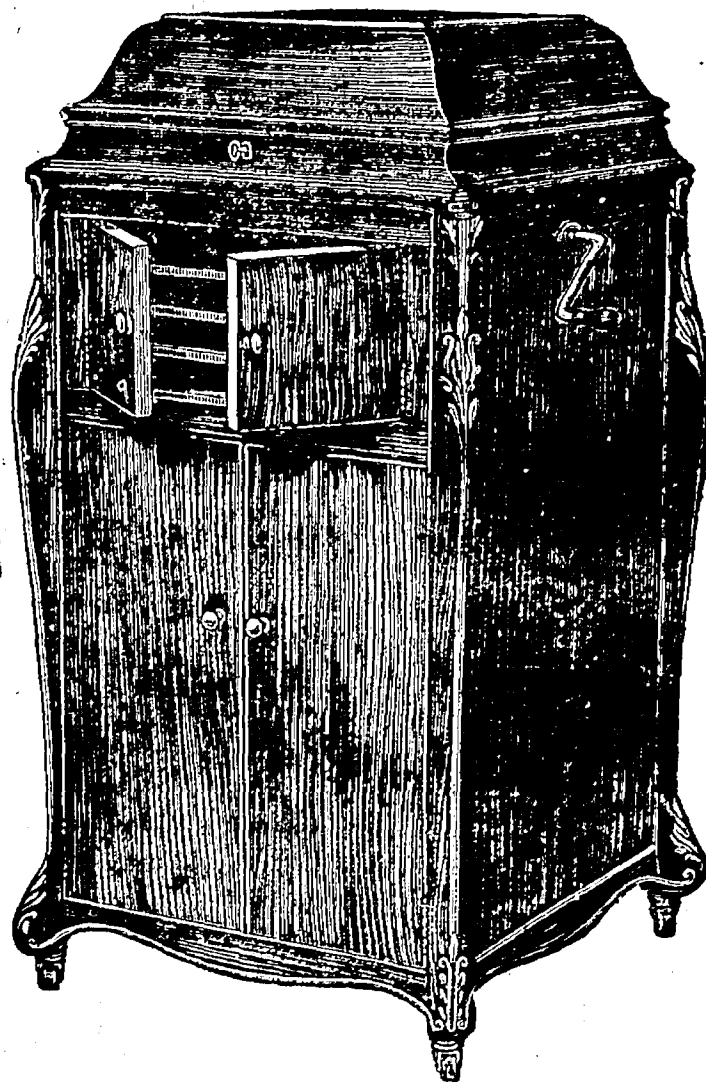
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A few drops applied directly upon a tender, aching corn relieves the soreness at once, and shortly the entire corn, root and all, lifts right out with the fingers.

This new drug is being dispensed at small cost in quarter ounce bottles, which is sufficient to take off every hard or soft corn from one's feet. It is a sticky substance which dries at once, and does not inflame or even irritate the surrounding tissue or skin. There is no excuse for anyone inviting death by infection or lockjaw from cutting their corns now.—Advertisement.

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Fifteen-Cent Shine Coming? Bootblacks Are Wondering

Do not deceive when your favorite bootblack obligingly hands you your favorite periodical for perusal while he rubs a shine on shoes that lacked lustre before. Do not deceive at the polite smile and the good-natured bantering tone. Do not deceive when mention is made of the graceful feminine figure on the pink cover of the "Bootblacks' Favorite." For underneath the surface there is a vast ambition—a desire for power—a natural longing to hop on the train of Fortune's gown and be carried along to prosperity.

Oakland bootblacks were much excited yesterday at news that their Sacramento colleagues were forming a union, following which five cents would be added to the price of a shine. While slapping on blacking conversation proceeded at a merry rate, with constant nodding of the heads apparent and with evident envy in the vocal tones assumed by the ex-cerled blacking-rubbers. The consensus of opinion among downtown bootblacks was that the trick might be turned in Oakland, and if they "got away with it" in Sacramento—and then again other opinions combated the average view.

SACRAMENTO IS "RICH."

"Sacramento people are too rich," said one man at his stand. "Oakland people are too smart for fifteen-cent shines. Wouldn't stand it. Go without shine rather than pay more. Sacramento people have lots of money—foolish. Oakland people have money—and are not foolish."

Unquiescent ascertained that the local union of bootblacks and porters had broken up more than a year ago after three or four years of public life. This lack of organization may go far toward keeping local bootblacks from raising their price. Sacramento stands, organized through

the efforts of W. C. Eddy, representative of the American Federation of Labor, intend charging fifteen cents when their organization is complete—this, despite protests of Eddy, who believes that the price is prohibitive. The blacking men merely smiled when warned by Eddy, and said in union that "it could be done." The charter is en route now from Washington, D. C.

PROPRIETORS IN QUARREL.

According to Eddy, the stand owners wanted to make the new union exclusively a membership of proprietors. Arguments on his part overcame the desires of the men, and now the hired hands may come in for all of the union benefits.

In the meantime, H. C. L., smothered with the jabs from five-cent bread and knocked to the ring-floor by the rushing tactics of normal coal conditions, doesn't know whether to rise from the canvas and start the fight on shoe shines or not. Oakland bootblacks are waiting.

Restaurant Prices to Be Voted Upon Today

Whether or not restaurant patrons in Oakland will have to pay more for their meals because of the high cost of foodstuffs is being decided at a meeting of the newly-organized Hotel and Restaurantkeepers' Association of Oakland in the Saddle Rock cafe this afternoon. It is said that restaurant prices in Oakland may be increased as much as 20 per cent. Oakland restaurantkeepers say they cannot realize a profit unless they charge more.

PUBLIC URGED TO ECONOMIZE

Government Conducting Probe Into High Cost of Living.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Government officials made it plain today that while they are conducting inquiries into the high cost of living and planning grand jury action against any who have conspired to maintain prices, the principal remedies must come through economies and co-operation of the public. They recommended that persons buy as little foodstuffs as possible and seek cheap substitutes for high-priced articles in many cases. Better methods of transporting necessities of living to consumers and increased production by farmers were other direct remedies suggested.

Department of justice officials continued, however, to study reports on the coal and food conditions, and President Wilson was giving these reports close attention. Closer scrutiny was maintained than heretofore to prevent information which later may be given to grand juries from reaching interests under surveillance.

Efforts to keep down the cost of food by bringing producer and consumer closer together are outlined in the annual report today of the federal bureau of markets. Some of the things accomplished in this direction include extension of the bureau's market news service; study of economic methods of food distribution and transportation; experimental work and pilot post shipment food; investigation of co-operative purchasing and marketing and plans for municipal public markets.

VETERAN PRINTER CALLED BY DEATH

Brought First Stereotyping Apparatus to America; Was Inventor.

Following an eventful life of 79 years, most of which was spent in Oakland and San Francisco, William Hoffschneider, real estate man and founder of the Mutual Building and Loan Association of East Oakland, died last night at his home, 1825 Pleasant Valley avenue. As a member of the firm of Joseph Winterburn & Co., widely known printers in San Francisco before the year 1866, Hoffschneider was known as the man who brought the first electrotyping and stereotyping machinery to the coast.

In 1866 his firm purchased, in connection with their printing business, the Chronicle, that paper later being sold to the De Young brothers. During the time that he was associated in the business life of San Francisco Hoffschneider lived in this city, having come here in 1864 to reside.

He was financially interested in many projects throughout Central California, among which were the Cosmopolitan Mutual Building and Loan Association, of which he was president; Belvedere Land Company, in which he held a vice-presidency; a large dairy ranch near Hanford, the Union Hotel building, land in Sonoma county and considerable real estate in Alameda county.

Surviving him is a widow, Mrs. Nettie Hoffschneider, three sons, Arthur P., George E. and Edmund W. Hoffschneider, two daughters, Mrs. A. K. Percival and Miss Augusta W. Hoffschneider, a sister, Mrs. Paul Reese, and grandchildren, Anna, Irene, Archie, Leslie, George, Bertrand and Forest Hoffschneider.

BEGAN AS TANNER.

Born in Hamburg, Germany, October 25, 1837, Hoffschneider began working in a tannery at the age of 9 years. Later he learned the trade of founding type. When 19 years of age he came to America.

Hoffschneider obtained for American use the first stereotyping machine. The head of his house saw that the machine would upset the plans of the type industry and so sent the contrivance back to Germany in 1864.

FOUNDERS-NEWSPAPER.

Associated with the Harrison Printing Company, well known to old residents of San Francisco, Hoffschneider a few years later purchased an interest in the place and placed into use the first electrotyping and stereotyping arrangements on the coast. The firm name of the new establishment was Joseph Winterburn & Co., and until 1896 was the largest foundry company of its kind in the West. It was while associated with this concern that he purchased the paper which later became the Chronicle of San Francisco.

Chicago Chief Injured Often

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Charles C. Healy, chief of police, whose status in the police department of Chicago is expected to be decided today by Mayor William Hale Thompson, has perhaps suffered more injuries than any other officer now on the force.

During his service of thirty years in the police department every major bone in his body has been broken while in the performance of his duties. The following is a list of his most serious injuries:

Broken—Both thighs, both legs, right arm, five ribs, collar-bone, nose, four fingers of right hand.

Dislocated—Shoulder and left arm.

Shattered by bullet—Right wrist.

RESUME PROBE OF PAPER PRICE

Federal Trade Commission Investigates Situation in American Mills.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The Federal Trade Commission reopened hearings here today in its investigation of the rise of print paper, presenting facts gathered by its investigators in American and Canadian factories. Canadian and United States averages show no increase in the cost of paper manufacture in the first half of 1916, as compared to 1915, the data shows. Selling expenses for the first half of 1916 were lower than in 1915 and profits per ton were higher.

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\$12.50 Bracelet Watches now	\$8.15	\$15.00 Solitaire Diamond Ring	\$9.45	\$80.00 Ladies' Diamond Ring very fine quality, in Tiffany setting	\$55.45
\$20.00 Bracelet Watches with 15 Jewel fine movement reduced to	\$11.45	\$25.00 Diamond in ladies or gent's, solid gold setting	\$10.65	\$45.00 All-Platinum Ring, set with five white diamonds	\$34.85
\$25.00 14 Karat Solid Gold Bracelet Watches reduced to	\$18.65	\$65.00 3/4 ct. Diamond Ring	\$40.35	\$35.00 Solitaire Diamond Ring, full 1/4 ct., 14K Tiffany setting	\$26.35
\$10.00 Solid Gold 14 K. Bracelet and Watch	\$25.45	\$100.00 Fine 5/8 ct. Diamond Ring	\$68.35	\$125.00 Blue White Diamond, 3/4 ct., very fine cut, reduced to	\$87.05
\$100.00 Diamond Set Solid Gold Bracelet Watch, a work of art in every way, now	\$61.35	\$150.00 All Diamond Princess Ring	\$100.65	\$75.00 Ring, set with two fine white diamonds and real ruby, now	\$52.10
\$1.00 and \$5.00 Gold Earrings	\$1.85	\$135.00 Diamond Banquet Ring, solid platinum setting, sale price	\$82.85	\$110.00 Pearl Ring, surrounded with eight brilliant white diamonds	\$70.45
\$5.00 Solid Gold Signet Rings, now	\$2.90	\$200.00 Solitaire Diamond Ring, weight 1 1/4 ct., in gold setting	\$149.05	\$150.00 Solitaire Diamond, 3/4 ct., set in latest style gallery ladies' set	\$107.65
\$6.00 Assorted Gold Rings, with stone settings	\$3.65	\$350.00 2 3/4 ct. White Diamond Ring	\$259.65	\$185.00 Blue White Diamond reduced to	\$138.15
\$2.25 Solid Gold Crosses now	\$1.35	\$20.00 Diamond Scarf Pins	\$14.35	\$235.00 Perfect Cut Fine White Diamond, 1-1/16 ct., reduced for this sale to	\$168.75
\$2.00 Gold Beauty Pin Sets	\$1.10	\$20.00 Solid Gold and Diamond Brooches	\$14.35	\$325.00 Fine Steel Blue Diamond 1-1/5 ct.	\$250.65
\$4.00 Solid Gold Scarf Pins now	\$2.10	\$35.00 Diamond Earrings, now	\$24.35	\$400.00 Steel Blue Diamond, set in platinum setting with four extra diamonds set on each side, a beautiful gift	\$298.65
\$12.00 Solid Gold Hand Engraved Bracelets	\$7.35	\$275.00 Diamond Earrings, 1 1/2 ct., imperfect but blue white color, reduced to	\$108.45	\$50.00 Gentleman's Solid Gold Diamond Set Ring reduced to	\$38.15
\$10.00 Solid Gold Bracelets now	\$5.85	\$225.00 Cluster Diamond Sunburst, fine 17 white diamonds, reduced to	\$158.35	\$30.00 Solid Gold Gent's Masonic Ring, set with seven diamonds	\$21.15
\$22.50 Solid Gold Mounted Elk Teeth Charm	\$20.85	\$25.00 Lavallier, set with three white diamonds, solid gold settings, now	\$18.75	\$50.00 Ladies' Solitaire Diamond Ring	\$32.65
\$12.00 Extra Heavy Solid Gold Signet Rings	\$6.65	\$20.00 Solid Gold Pendant set with full cut white diamond and pearl	\$12.30	\$135.00 Finest White Diamond Earrings	\$92.85
\$425.00 Lavallier set with 16 fine brilliant white diamonds and one large pear shape diamond and exquisite design, now	\$315.85	\$8.00 Diamond Lavallier, set in solid gold exceptional value	\$4.15	\$25.00 Platinum and Diamond Scarf Pin	\$15.35
\$20.00 all Platinum Lavallier set with fine full cut diamond, now	\$21.35	Regular \$10 Diamond Lavallier now	\$6.90	\$30.00 Scarf Pin set with four fine diamonds and large opal, only	\$18.35
\$4.00 Solid Gold Cuff Buttons	\$2.10	\$110.00 All Platinum Lavallier set with 14 fine diamonds, now	\$78.65	\$35.00 Diamond Set Solid Gold Cuff Buttons	\$25.85
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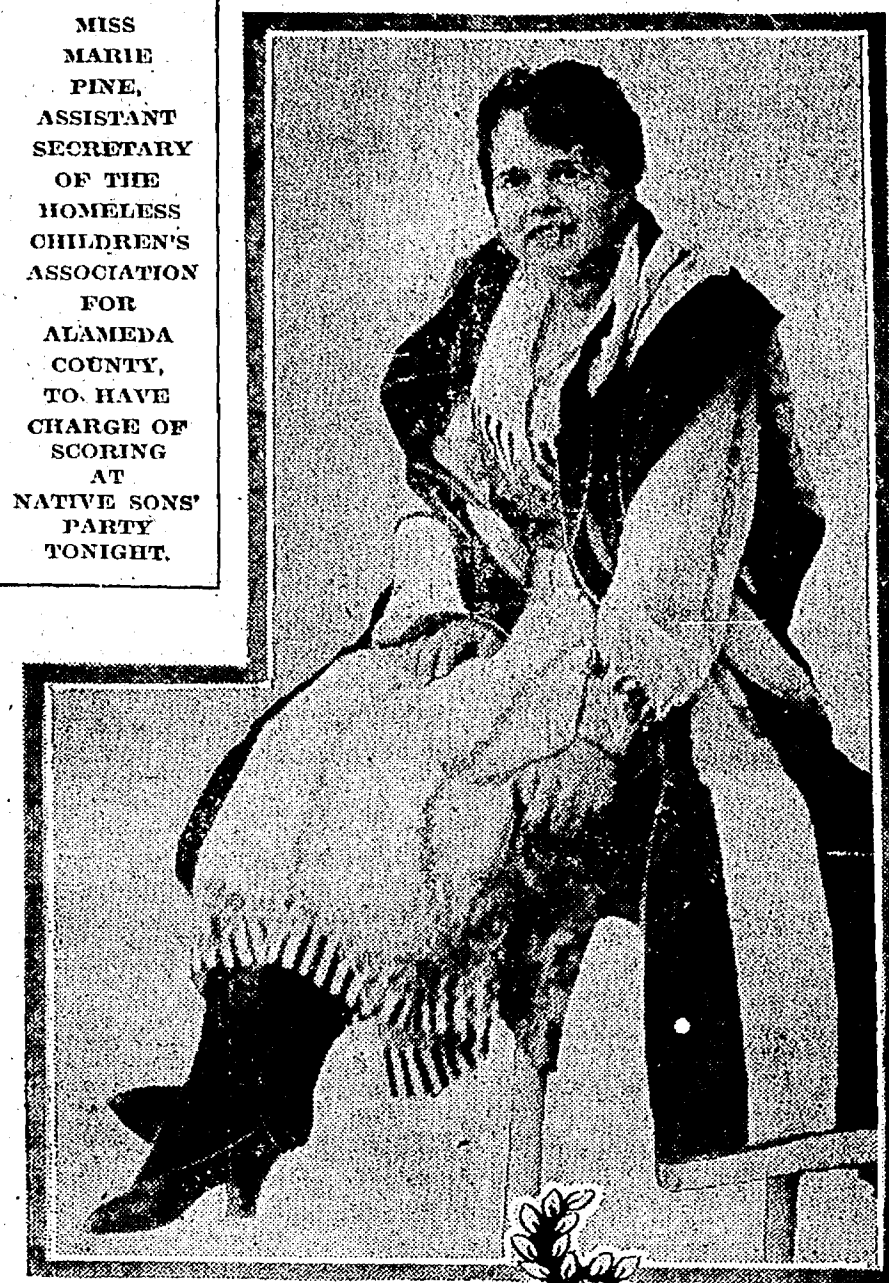
Divorce Decreased in Colorado, Is Claim

DENVER, Col., Dec. 12.—There was only one divorce action to every three marriages in Denver during the closing

year. To date there have been 788 divorce suits instituted, while 2,130 marriage licenses have been issued. There was a falling off in divorces this year while there was an increase in marriages as compared with last year. The decrease in divorces is attributed to prohibition.

Monster Crowd Certain For Benefit Whist Play

MISS MARIE PINE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE HOMELESS CHILDREN'S ASSOCIATION FOR ALAMEDA COUNTY, TO HAVE CHARGE OF SCORING AT NATIVE SONS' PARTY TONIGHT.



Alameda County Parlor Determined to Do Their Share for Homeless Children

Judging from all indications, the monster whist tournament which will be given tonight in the ivory ball room, the dining room and the blue room of the Hotel Oakland will be the greatest ever held here. The committees from the Alameda county parlors of the Native Sons and Native Daughters of the Golden West report a heavy sale of tickets, and it is estimated that at least 2,000 will be present. In addition to the thousands of players, all of the notable of the order will attend, including present grand officers and past grand presidents from Alameda county.

The hundred pretty score card girls will all be costumed in white to resemble nurses, in view of the fact that the proceeds from the big tournament will be turned over to the fund of the Homeless Children Association conducted by the Native Sons and Daughters. This association cares for all unfortunate children, whether or not their parents are native sons and daughters. The work accomplished in the seven years it has been operating has been little short of marvelous, and as direct result of the activity of this organization nearly 1,100 homeless children have been placed in good homes. The tournament tonight is for the sole benefit of these kiddies, and it is hoped that as one of the results a number of the little ones now being cared for will be placed in homes before Christmas.

Harry G. Williams, chairman of the homeless children committee of the Alameda county and grand trustee of the Native Sons, said today that the tournament tonight gave Alameda county an opportunity to show what it could do.

"Heretofore," said Williams, "seventy-five per cent of the proceeds required for the work of conducting the Homeless Children Association has been given by San Francisco county parlors. We must show these parlors now that Alameda county can do its share. If we make a big success of the affair tonight, we will make it plain that we also are vitally interested in this very worthy charity."

Chairmen of the various committees in charge are: Finance committee, J. H. Knowland; arrangements, Mrs. Nellie De Blais; prizes, Mrs. Addie Mosher; printing, Frank Merritt; distribution of tickets, Harry Mitchell; publicity, M. B. Morrison; general committee, Harry G. Williams (chairman), E. P. Garrison (treasurer), Mrs. A. S. Powell (secretary).

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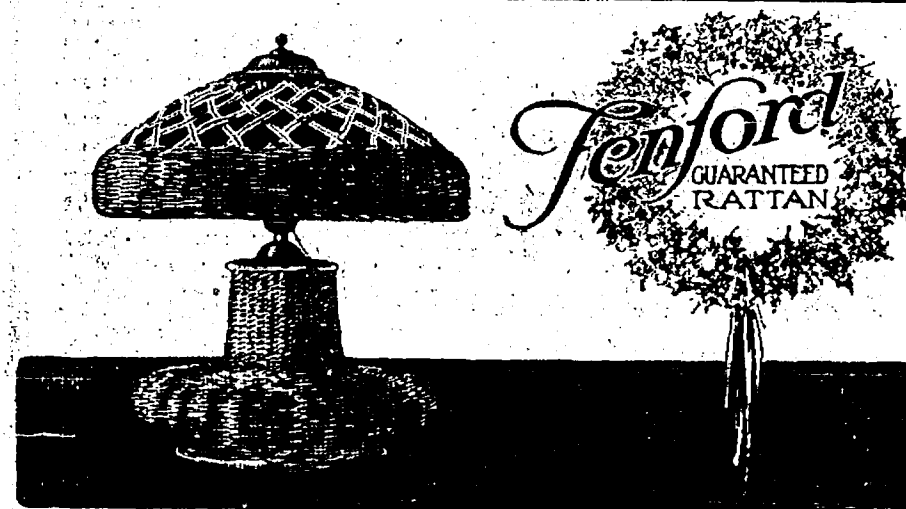
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Big Chorus to Sing at Church Recital

A varied musical program by a chorus of 80 voices will be presented on Friday evening of this week in the Centennial Methodist Episcopal church, Ninth and Chester streets, under the direction of Howard E. Pratt. The membership of the Centennial choir is recruited from among the young people of West Oakland.

The assisting artists, who have volunteered their services, are all well known artists: Mrs. W. H. Sellander, soprano; Mrs. J. Rollin, alto; Irene Strutt, contralto; Miss Rachael Elder, pianist. A nominal admission is being charged. The proceeds to be devoted to the church repair fund. The concert will begin at 8:30 o'clock.

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Tomorrow—Charlie Chaplin in
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MACKENSEN OCCUPIES TWO TOWNS

German War Office Statement
Says Allies' Troops in Mace-
donia Suffer Sanguinary
Losses in Fighting on Cerna

BERLIN, via Sayville wireless, Dec. 12.—Occupation of Urcicini and Mizil by German forces under Field Marshal Von Mackensen was announced today's official statement of the Rumanian campaign.
"Entente troops suffered one more severe sanguinary reverse on both banks of the Cerna yesterday," the statement of the Macedonian fighting declared.
"On the battlefield of the Somme the fighting activity of our artillery, which since the end of November had considerably diminished, was tempo-
rarily increased again in the after-
noon," said the official statement of the west front activities.

FEW WAR LEADERS, IS FRANCE'S PLAN

PARIS, Dec. 12.—New blood for old; economy and efficiency in place of wastefulness and lack of concentra-
tion in governmental administration—this is what Premier Briand is aiming at in his reconstruction of the government.
Public belief persists that General Joffre will go. The fact that the idol of the republic is to be transferred from active command to a sedentary post—probably that of heading a war council of the military—is an indication of the people's determination to institute a new order which will solidify France into a war machine of the utmost efficiency.

Catholic Ladies to Direct Whist Party

A whist party for the benefit of the children's Christmas tree of St. Julia's Parish will be held at the Catholic Ladies' Aid Society, Branch No. 40 at St. Julia's Parochial hall, Fruitvale avenue and Montana street.
The committee includes Mrs. Clarence Dorsey, Mrs. J. S. Schidell, Mrs. Margaret Murphy, Mrs. Margaret Brady, Mrs. James L. Smith, Mrs. W. Perkins, Mrs. M. Delehanty, Mrs. John H. Reilly Jr., Mrs. R. Murray.

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Teddy Slingsby's Claim Weakened House of Lords Decides Adversely

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The appellants in the Slingsby legitimacy case lost today what was considered one of the strongest points in favor of Teddy Slingsby named heir. In the infant's Probate Court Sir George Frampton, the sculptor, informed the court that he noted an extraordinary resemblance between Teddy Slingsby and Charles R. Slingsby, who contends the infant is his son and who is seeking to gain for the child the Slingsby estate in Yorkshire.
The House of Lords ruled today that the evidence of Sir George before the lower court was worthless.

'ON TRIAL' BIG BISHOP SUCCESS

The Bishop players' production of Elmer Reizenstein's three-act dramatic offering, "On Trial," which opened at the Bishop Playhouse last night, was a complete success.
Aside from the dramatic plot of the production, the method of its portrayal was unique. The educative effect of the movie film upon theatrical affairs was apparent. "On Trial" met the demands of the audience for sustained action squarely. The first act opens in the middle of a climax—the second scene of the same act jumps to a court room. Act three jumps back thirteen years, and then comes back again to the courtroom which is the central focus of the situations.

So it is that a wonderful stage that turns and shifts to meet the dramatic situations as they arise, enable the watcher to drop a thread, to pick another and drop that in turn, until the fabric of the whole is interwoven into a skein of sustained effort.
In plot "On Trial" is a chain of denouements. A wife with a past, a husband who does not suspect, a man who is truthful—a triangle of possibilities well utilized. The climax—the shadow which creeps up out of the past, the hand of blackmail, the terror-stricken wife, these follow in turn. The murder of the man in the case by the husband, the theft of \$10,000 and the murder trial by which the audience is carried from point to point in the story by the taking of testimony—this is a rough outline upon which the playwright has built a structure of convincing strength, up to the final confession.
Miss Virginia Brissac as the wife was convincing and wonderfully free from hesitation, especially in the opening night of a difficult role. Little Eugenia Clinchard, as we have learned to expect, far beyond the span of her years, shared almost equally with Miss Brissac, without divesting the leading lady of any.

Likens Internment Camp to Inferno

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Likening Liverpool Camp, the British internment camp in New South Wales, to Andersonville Prison of the Civil War or to a circle of Dante's inferno, twenty-five German and Austrian merchants, who have been held as prisoners of war since March, arrived here at 1 o'clock this morning. Arrested on the steamer China, they were at first confined in cells in Hongkong. They were removed later to Australia, where they were held until released at the request of the American government.

The leader of the party, W. F. Schuedter, president of Callowitz & Co., a German trading firm of the Orient, says that two of the prisoners went insane. He added:
The prisoners in the camp were debased and fought among themselves like wild animals. The guards goaded them. When riots broke out the guards shot indiscriminately among the crowd. No one was safe. The food was terrible. One hundred prisoners were blind and wandered about the camp without medical attention.

Judge Shafter Estate Cause of Controversy

Once more has the landed estate left many years ago by Judge Oscar Lovell Shafter, of Oakland and Marin county, come into court as a cause for contention among descendants. The grandchild of the famous old jurist cannot agree among themselves as to the usufruct and possession of the holdings and Miss Maud Howard has brought suit against her three brothers, Harold, Howard, and Charles. Each suit is a complaint in partition, seeking the equitable division of 24,600 acres of Marin county lands, bequeathed last summer to her children by Mrs. Emma Shafter, widow of Charles Webb Howard and daughter of Judge Shafter.
The lands in question include the three Spanish ranchos that comprise the western half of the Peninsula of Oleam and between Tomales Bay and the Pacific ocean.

Pasteurization to Be Discussed by Expert

Under the auspices of the East Bay Health Officers' Association, a demonstration of milk pasteurization will take place at the Fenton dairy, Forty-first and Howe streets at 7:30 o'clock this evening. Dr. C. C. Wing, head of the dairy inspection department, will have charge of the demonstration. An elaborate plant installed at a cost of \$25,000 will be at the service of the department.

First Congregation May Engage Rabbi

The annual meeting of the First Hebrew Congregation of Oakland will be held at Covenant House, 1418 and Webster streets on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Matters of importance are to come up before the meeting. The election of president and board of directors and the adoption of resolutions in question of engaging a rabbi or cantor will be considered.

Red Cross Stamps to Sell for Charity

Members of the Catholic Ladies Aid Society are disposing of the Red Cross stamps at the Oakland postoffice. The ladies include Mrs. M. Klink, Mrs. T. P. Hogan, Mrs. M. A. McManus, Mrs. T. Galvan, Miss K. T. Maher and Mrs. J. J. McCarthy.

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Write today: I will tell you, free of charge, of a simple home treatment for asthma, which cured me after physicians and change of climate failed. I am grateful for my present good health, after years of suffering, that I want everyone to know of this wonderful treatment. Mrs. Nellie Evans, 555, S-2, Des Moines, Iowa. Adv.

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Santa Claus Sounds the Glad Note of Welcome
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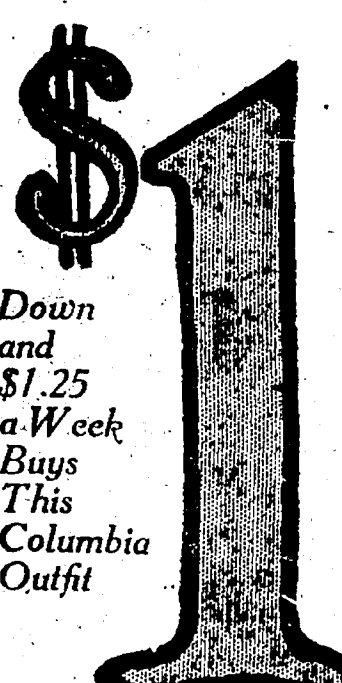
It is the largest decorated Christmas Tree ever shown in California.



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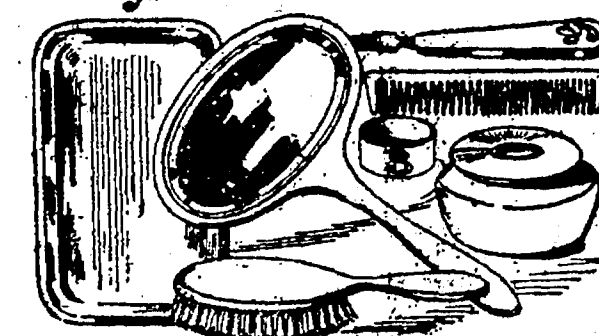
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FRENCH CAPERS—Reg. 25c; Special, 2 bottles, 45c		CRYSTAL WHITE SOAP—Special, 12 bars. 49c
LESLIE SALT—Shaker's, reg. 10c; Special, 3 pkgs. 25c		LABBITT'S CLEANER—Special, 11 tins. 49c
SHREDDED COCONUT—Large pkg., 35c; medium, 25c		LAUNDRY STARCH—6 lb. boxes, reg. 85c; Special, 69c
SALMON—FLAT TINS—Special, 3 tins. 35c		4-tier box, \$1.25, or half box, 65c; 7 1/2 lbs. for 25c
CALIFORNIA NOODLES—Reg. 10c; Special 3 pkgs. 25c		ORANGES—Navela, sweet and juicy, doz., 25c; 2 doz. 45c
COFFEE—SELECT—Special, 2 lbs. 45c		GRAPES—Large size, 8 for 30c
ENGLISH BREAKFAST TEA—50c values, Special, 1b. 35c		LEMONS—Large size, doz. 25c
OPERA—Fancy, 25c; Special, 3 tins. 12c		ARTICHOKEES—Good size, doz. 30c
PAPRIKA—Reg. 15c; Special, tin. 12c		BRUSSELS SPROUTS—2 lbs for 15c
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KAHN'S COLD STORAGE EGGS, fancy, large, 2 doz. for 65c KAHN'S

LLOYD-GEORGE; NOT IN PARLIAMENT

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The absence through illness of Premier Lloyd-George and former Premier Asquith, the principal figures in the late ministerial crisis, and the decision of the Cabinet to postpone until Thursday its statement of policy, robbed today's session of the House of Commons of the interest which usually attends the first meeting of a new government with parliament.

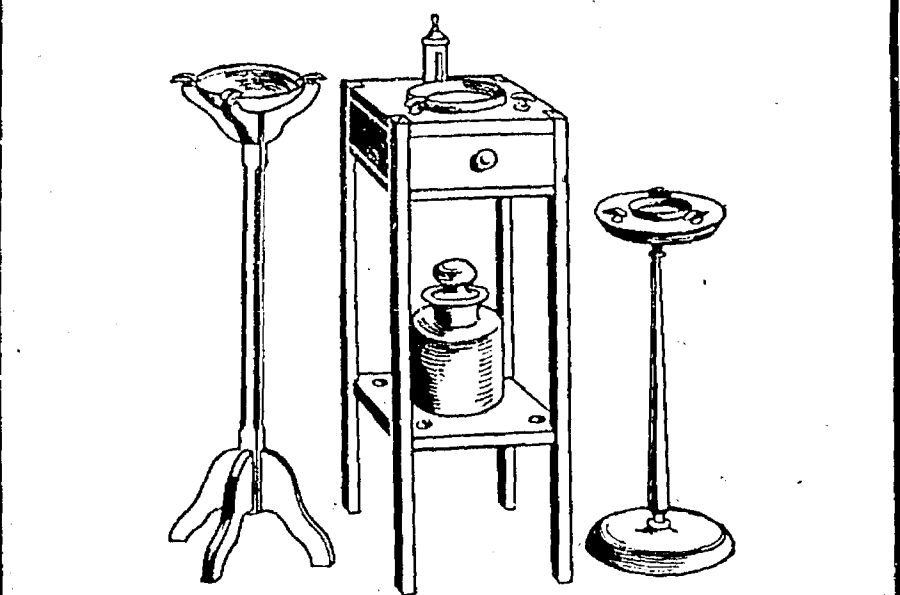
Mobilize: King Orders Greeks Constantine to Move, Says Despatch

LONDON, Dec. 12.—An Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen says a despatch has been received there from Switzerland that King Constantine of Greece has ordered a general mobilization.

WHOLE JAIL ON STRIKE

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Because of the high cost of living Sheriff Riddle of Butte county has been forced to eliminate meat from the bill of fare at the county jail. As a result the members of the chain gang have refused to work. There is no settlement of the strike in sight.

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AUTOMOBILE WON AT PANTAGES LAST NIGHT

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Remember the STANDARD FURNITURE CO., 525 Twelfth Street, will pay the winner \$50 cash if at Pantages when award is made.

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- DOWN TOWN STORES
- Automobile Supplies, Chandler & Lyon Co., 4537 Bway.
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 - Grocers, Harrison Grocery, 360 11th St.
 - Grocers, Keystone Grocery Co., 1257 14th St.
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 - Shoes, Economy Shoe Store, 1030 Wash. St.
 - Tailors, Quinn's Walker Boot Shop, 1305 Wash. St.
 - Tailors, N. L. Harris, 300 E. 2nd, Bldg.
 - Tailors, C. J. Twomey, 1302 Bway.

- BERKELEY AND SOUTH BERKELEY STORES
- Drugs, Home Pharmacy, 3300 Adeline, So. Berkeley.
 - Furniture, Ashby Furniture Co., Adeline St. & Ashby Ave.
 - Grocers, Little & Paul, 276 Adeline, So. Berkeley.
 - Grocers, Ulman's Cash Grocery, 1040 Ashby Ave.
 - Hatters, Garrett Owen, 3270 Adeline, So. Berkeley.
 - Hardware, Taylor Bros. Plumb & Co., 3212 Adeline St.
 - Hardware, Sunset Hardware Co., 2104 Shattuck Ave.
 - Meats, E. Reichhold, 1524 Ashby Ave.
 - Meats, Lorn Market, 1227 Alcatraz, So. Berkeley.

- EAST OAKLAND STORES
- Drugs, Corner Drug Store, E. 14th St. & Fruitvale Ave.
 - Drugs, Diamond Drug Co., 88 East 12th St.
 - Drugs, Lake Pharmacy, 88 East 12th St.
 - Drugs, Merrill Pharmacy, 8800 East 14th St.
 - Dry Goods, (formerly Darling's), 2141 St. & 22nd Ave.
 - Dry Goods, Dimm Emporium, 2200 Hopkins St.
 - Dry Goods, Grube Bros., 3524 E. 14th St.
 - Furniture, Hermann Furniture Co., 2310-15 E. 14th St.
 - Grocers, F. Bartle & Co., 10th St. & E. 2nd St.
 - Grocers, F. B. Cook, 1448 23rd Ave.
 - Grocers, Ellis Grocery Co., 3325 Fruitvale Ave.
 - Grocers, Gallagher & Carian, 3500 Boulevard.
 - Grocers, Lall Merritt Grocery, 108 E. 14th St.
 - Grocers, Sturdivant Grocery Co., 108 E. 14th St.
 - Grocers, C. Tegemann, 2100 23rd Ave.
 - Grocers, Oscar Tiesworth, 4645 E. 14th St.
 - Hardware, Perry C. Frye, 8450 E. 14th St.
 - Meats, Hopkins St. Market, 2133 Hopkins St., Dimond.

- STORES NORTH OF 22ND STREET
- Cigars and Billiards, The Palace, 5030 Telegraph Ave.
 - Delicatessen (Italian), B. A. Grestetto Co., 5311 College Ave.
 - Drugs, Bertram's Pharmacy, 4609 Telegraph Ave.
 - Drugs, Central Pharmacy, 4609 Telegraph Ave.
 - Dry Goods and Notions, Mrs. L. Pollock, 4609 Telegraph Ave.
 - Dry Goods and Notions, The Rock Ridge, 3571 College Ave.
 - Grocers, Griffin & Sherburne, 3571 College Ave.
 - Grocers, Lakewood Grocery, 3571 College Ave.
 - Grocers, B. Lowenstein, 3401 Adeline St.
 - Grocers, John Reid, 435 35th St.
 - Grocers, Rock Ridge Grocery, 5425 College Ave.
 - Grocers, Rock Ridge Grocery, 5425 College Ave.
 - Grocers, Warehouse Grocery Co., 4770 Telegraph Ave.
 - Hardware, Standard Hardware Co., 5207 College Ave.
 - Meats, College Ave. Market, 5064 College Ave.
 - Meats, Cent. Oakland Meat Store, 4751 22nd Street.
- WEST OAKLAND STORES, SOUTH OF 22ND STREET
- Dry Goods, Grube Bros., 1222 W. 7th.
 - Grocers, H. Cavanaugh, 1681 15th St.
 - Grocers, G. Magrath, 4645 E. 14th St.
 - Grocers, J. W. Palmer & Son, 11th and Market Sts.

COMMISSION MEN PLAN CELEBRATION

Big Festival to Mark Opening of District; Program to Be Lavish.

A royal welcome to 1917, "the prosperity year," will be included in the great celebration planned for Saturday evening, January 6, to call attention to the rapid development of Oakland as a market center. Floats symbolic of the riches in store for Oakland during the coming year and others illustrating the growth of Oakland's commission district will be features of the parade and pageant, which will open the day's festivities. The commission dealers will have their wagons decorated for the occasion in line and place are now being made for the Boy Scouts and other bodies of marchers to get in line. The parade, from all indications, will be among the greatest ever held in the outlying region.

Mrs. Phelps Bequeaths Aid to Institutions

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Bequests ranging from \$25,000 to \$50,000 to various institutions were provided by Mrs. Josephine A. Phelps, widow of Timothy Guy Phelps, who will, disposing of an estate estimated worth \$800,000, was opened in the offices of the Union Trust Company yesterday. Lock Observatory was given \$25,000 for a research library. The Society of Pioneers and the Children's Hospital also received bequests.

The will directed that a fund of about \$200,000 be created by the sale of land and investment of the proceeds to provide annuities for about thirty relatives and friends, after making other bequests amounting to about \$175,000. The balance of \$225,000 was given to Mrs. Virginia Lord of San Carlos, Mrs. J. D. Schreder of San Francisco, sisters of Mrs. Phelps, and to W. P. Chipman, her nephew.

Dying Man "Talks" to Spirit of His Mother

CORVALLIS, Ore., Dec. 12.—Rev. Dr. L. V. Flint, who, for thirty years, has been a resident of this city, died Monday night at the ripe age of 87 years. Dr. Flint was a Episcopalian and on the day before his death said he had talked with the spirit of his mother and she had called him.

It is said that many years ago, before the death of the aged man's mother, she promised to give him warning when his time should come. He sat up in his bed Sunday in the presence of two other persons and held his conversation with what he said was the spirit of his mother. The other people in the room saw nothing. The body will be taken to Portland for cremation.

Pupil of Sixteen Weds Teacher of 22

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 12.—He is 16 years old and she is 22. They are married and they are happy. Two years ago, when she was 20, Miss Sadie Patrick of Arlington, Tenn., came to Memphis and secured a position in the public schools. She had one pupil to whom she became greatly attached. He was James L. Yarbrough, at that time 14 years old.

Police Use Jitney to Trail Theft Suspects

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Shadowed by two policemen concealed in the rear of a jitney, James L. Yarbrough, G. Pulls walked along Filmore street early this morning trying the doors of different stores. They were arrested at Steiner and Pine streets and booked at the city prison on charges of burglary attempted burglary and carrying concealed weapons. The specific burglary charged against them is that of the apartment of Henry Manlock in the Gates Annex Hotel, Filmore and Geary.

Grand Jury Fails to Return Bribery Charge

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—The grand jury last night failed to return an indictment against Joseph K. Hutchinson, attorney with the California Trust Company on charges of bribery which were filed against him by Attorney Henry E. Lee. The charges against Hutchinson, it is said, are the outcome of a fight between Lee and representatives of the California Trust Company for possession of the Seafair Lake potash deposits.

Demand Opinion of Attorney on Leases

Mayor Davies' resolution calling for an opinion from the city attorney as to the construction of the city charter as affecting the referendum on leases of waterfront lands by proper petition should be people not approve of the character and provisions of leases voted by the majority of the council, was adopted by unanimous vote today.

ONE DEAD; EIGHT HURT, IN ACCIDENT

Automobiles Bring Death to Palo Alto Justice of the Peace.

Nine persons were injured, one fatally, in automobile accidents in various parts of the bay district yesterday. In one case seven members of one family were victims of a smash, all narrowly escaping death.

Samuel W. Charles, justice of the peace at Palo Alto, and a member of the faculty of the law department of Stanford University, was killed at the San Bruno railroad crossing, while on his way home from San Francisco, when he turned the car in which he and his wife were riding, into a telephone pole to avoid plunging into a flooded ravine. Charles was hurled against his steering wheel, sustaining injuries from which he died at the Peninsula hospital a few minutes later. His wife escaped with minor bruises.

Eight persons living in Richmond were severely but not fatally hurt late last night, when a machine in which they were returning to their homes from Point Loma, jumped a bumper and turned turtle about six miles out of the city, pinning the occupants beneath the car.

Mrs. Edward Nystrom and Mrs. A. J. Nystrom are the most severely injured. They were rushed to the Craven hospital in Richmond, where their condition is said to be precarious.

In addition to the two badly hurt, the machine contained A. J. Nystrom and Edward Nystrom, sons of the former Richmond capitalist; Harold and Doris, young children of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nystrom; Melvin Nystrom, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nystrom; and Thomas E. Miller, a Petaluma rancher. The latter escaped without injury, the rest of the party being hurt and bruised about the face and hands.

Mountain View Fire Fighters Name Officers

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Dec. 12.—Mountain View fire department No. 2 has elected new officers as follows: Foreman, C. E. Jones; first assistant foreman, J. L. Jones; second assistant foreman, J. L. Jones; secretary and treasurer, Cecil Dutcher; assistant secretary and treasurer, A. E. Jones. The installation of these officers will be held at their first meeting in January.

KEEN KUTTER gift is sure to be doubly appreciated

HOW much will it be appreciated? This is one of the most important, if indeed not THE most important thing to consider in a Christmas gift.

Choose your gifts from the Keen Kutter assortment of cutlery and tools, and you will assure a doubled appreciation.

To the happiness of receiving and the joy of being remembered, will be added the pleasant thought that fine appreciation of quality was shown in the gift selection.

And, too, they are in harmony with the time sentiment toward gifts that are practical and lasting.

Every Keen Kutter article is made of the very best material in the very best way. The guarantee of quality goes with every purchase.

At your Keen Kutter dealer's you find a surprisingly wide range of practical things sold under the Keen Kutter trade-mark.

If you are interested in a gift for mother or sister, you'll find the Keen Kutter line includes everything in scissors and shears from daintiest manicure scissors to heaviest shears.

Then there are Keen Kutter Flood Choppers, fine Keen Kutter Carving Sets, Keen Kutter Manicure Sets, Keen Kutter Kitchen Sets, Keen Kutter Sewing Machines—and a hundred and one other things. A visit to any Keen Kutter dealer will fill you full of gift ideas.

For Men—there are Keen Kutter Knives of all descriptions—Keen Kutter Razor Outfits—Keen Kutter Traveling Sets, Keen Kutter Tool Cabinets, Keen Kutter Garden Tools—Keen Kutter Tools of every kind and description.

You will be agreeably surprised at the moderate prices of Keen Kutter Goods, especially when you consider that you make a real investment in every purchase, because

"The Recognition of QUALITY Remains Long After the PRICE is Forgotten."—E. C. Simmons

KEEN KUTTER CUTLERY AND TOOLS

'BUY THAT COAT ON CREDIT; SUE'

—and You'll Have Plenty of Money for Your Christmas Gifts.

"You can buy a lot of your Christmas things on installment payments, too, for that matter, at the very same store where you get your Coat—CHERRY'S."

"I simply love to get clothes-gifts myself and I think most other girls feel the same way. So I eke out my Christmas money by selecting a number of pretty wearables at CHERRY'S and charging them to my credit account. Doing that way, you see, I paid only a modest fraction of the price of each of these gifts and I'll pay the rest in small weekly installments, most of which will come AFTER CHRISTMAS, when my purse is fatter."

"CHERRY'S have wonderful Fur and Waists and other things that are dandy to give relatives and friends. However, even if you're able to pay cash for your gifts, you'll surely be thankful to be able to get your new Coat on installment terms."

"Why, Sue, if you bought your Coat at a cash store, you wouldn't have a cent of your salary left for Christmas shopping for anything else! And CHERRY'S have such perfectly beautiful Coats now—the most elegant, distinguished looking models you can imagine, in all the shades, and trimmed with the very best fur plush."

"You've never been to CHERRY'S SHOP, have you, Sue? Well, you certainly have a treat waiting for you when you step into 515 Thirteenth street. The men's store is at 523 Thirteenth street. The San Francisco shops are at 1009 Market, above Sixth, and 2400 Mission, corner Twentieth street. Other stores on the Pacific Coast are at Portland, Tacoma, Los Angeles and Sacramento."—Advertisement.

Farmers to Testify in High Cost Inquiry

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—One hundred farmers from Wisconsin, Indiana and Illinois will be summoned by the government in the grand jury's inquiry into the high cost of living, according to District Attorney Charles F. Cling. Five hundred retail grocers of Chicago also will be summoned.

KEEN KUTTER Set of Shears and Scissors

A Christmas suggestion for your wife or mother—something both practical and sure to be appreciated—is a fine pair, or, better still—a set of Keen Kutter Scissors and Shears.

Keen Kutter Scissors have blades of the finest steel—they stay keen without constant resharpening and give a clean cut the entire length of the blade.

At your Keen Kutter dealer's you will find all sizes and descriptions—all rigidly inspected against flaws and thoroughly guaranteed.

A popular Keen Kutter set is shown in the picture. It includes a pair of 7-inch shears, a pair of 5½-inch scissors, a pair of embroidery scissors and a pair of button-hole scissors. Any woman would welcome this gift.

Keen Kutter Shears are different from all others with a patented lock nut compensating wear and insuring perfect results through years of use.

KEEN KUTTER Carving Set

No. K-222C, stag handles; leatherette case, assorted colors, \$5.50

A suitable present for man and wife

If there's a family in your gift circle without a really fine carving set, make them glad with a Keen Kutter Carving Set.

The steel in the Keen Kutter Carving Knife will stand up under the constant sharpening of a knife edge that will glide through the flesh of the festive bird in a manner that makes carving a delight.

Keen Kutter Tableware makes another always acceptable gift. We suggest that you inspect these goods at the dealer's, early, in order to find his selection at its fullest point.

Satisfaction always guaranteed

Keen Kutter Cutlery and Tools are sold in every city in the country and in most all towns and villages. You can't go wrong in giving Keen Kutter goods—they're guaranteed to satisfy or money refunded.

Booklets giving full information on any of above articles gladly mailed on request.

Simmons Hardware Company Manufacturers and Distributors

St. Louis New York Philadelphia Toledo Minneapolis

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SOLD BY MAXWELL HARDWARE COMPANY.

Former President of Printers' Union Dies

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—John McViekar, 73, once president of the International Typographical Union and former editor of the Detroit News, died here yesterday. He came here from Detroit a few weeks ago for an operation, from which he never rallied.

DUTTON TO LECTURE

Unity Club will meet for a social program and to hear a lecture by Rev. C. S. Dutton of San Francisco, at Starr King hall, Fourteenth and Castro streets, on Wednesday evening. The lecture is to be on "Modern Poetry."

GIVE WHIST PARTY

Argonaut Review, No. 55, of the Woman's Benefit Association of the Macahees, is giving a whist party this evening at Pacific building, Sixteenth and Jefferson streets.

Studebaker Takes Extras to San Jose

Records in distributing the news were broken this morning when extras of Germany's proposals for peace were rushed to San Jose and points between Oakland and that city in a Studebaker six. C. F. Orta of the Weaver, Ables, Wells Company was at the wheel of the new car, which was filled with TRIBUNES.

WE GIVE 25% TRADING STAMPS ON EVERYTHING OAKLAND'S HANDSOMEST AND CLEANEST STORE

Let the YOSEMITE CO. Be Your PURE FOOD GROCER

FREE DELIVERY SPECIALS FOR WEDNESDAY FREE DELIVERY

BUTTER, 2 lbs 80c EGGS, Dozen Strictly Fresh 47c

YOSEMITE SPECIAL 80c

RIPE OLIVES—Quart 25c CATSUP—Large bottle 15c

FIGS—Fancy Lager, lb. 20c CORN—3 cans 25c

STUFFED DATES—Pkg. 35c TUMPKIN—Fancy Eastern 25c

POPCORN, lb. 8c CANS 25c

PINEAPPLE—Sliced, 2 for 25c COFFEE—Favorite Blend, lb. 30c

ORANGES—Large, doz. 30c 3 1/2 lbs. 1.00

GRAPE FRUIT 6 for 25c PEACHES OR APRICOTS, Libby's Special Extra Quality, can 25c

CRANBERRIES—Fancy Cape 15c ASSORTED CHOCOLATES, large 25c

Cod, lb. 15c HAVILIS—2 cans 25c

RAVILIS—2 cans 25c

COFFEE We always give double S. & H. Trading Stamps on Teas and Coffee. TEA

Wine and Liquor Specials

"SHASTA BEER" 2 DOZ. PINTS OR 1.20 1 DOZ. QUARTS

WE CARRY ALL OTHER BRANDS OF BEER

CLARET—Excellent qual. 50c HOLLAND GIN—Full qt. 85c

Other grades 60c, 75c and 1.00 per gallon. BRANDY—Full qt. 85c

PURE OLD WINES—PORT RUM—Full qt. 85c

SHERRY, ANGELICA, MUSCAT, BUCHU GIN—Full qt. 85c

TEA—Full 1/2 Gallon 65c WHISKEY, CLOVER CLUB—Full quart, 85c, gallon jug. 3.00

Other grades 75c and 1.00. COCKTAILS, all varieties, bot. 85c

Phone Lakeside 123 1432 SAN PABLO AVE. OPPOSITE CITY HALL PARK. Yosemite Incorporated CO.

KEEN KUTTER Safety Razor

The very one he's always wanted

Every man knows that Keen Kutter stands for the very highest quality and reputation. Keen Kutter Safety Razors are scientifically adjusted for right shaving. The blades are flawless, tempered-to-last, and insure a clean, easy shave. It's guaranteed, of course, to satisfy, or money refunded.

No. KJ-10 Keen Kutter Safety Razor and extra package of blades, \$1.00.

No. KJ-107 Keen Kutter Safety Razor, package of blades and Keen Kutter Automatic Shaper in Green Karatol plush lined case, \$2.50.

Other sets also.

Give the Boy a real knife—a KEEN KUTTER Pocket Knife

You'll hear a whoop of delight when he finds the name "Keen Kutter" on the blade. He knows Keen Kutters are top notch in quality.

Keen Kutter Knives take a razor edge and hold their sharpness for an almost incredibly long time.

You'll be surprised to find how reasonable Keen Kutter knives are when you visit your dealer. Prices 25 cents to \$25—dandies at \$1—satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.

Both necessity and gift

Good tools help make boys manly

Every home has repair jobs for the man. Shelves to fix, storm and screen doors to hang, sticking windows to loosen, weather stripping to adjust—a thousand and one things where tools are needed. If good tools are handy the work is real pleasure. Keen Kutter Tools fill an economical need. In addition to making a most efficient gift—they're the tools the expert workmen use.

No. K-3 Keen Kutter Cabinet complete with 19 highest grade tools, \$17.50. Good enough for most men. A magnificent gift for the boy

The gift of a Keen Kutter Tool Cabinet will not only fill your boy with full of happiness, but will provide a wholesome outlet for excess energy, encourage the acquiring of skill with tools, make the boy a real help when things need fixing. Booklet No. 597 of Tool Cabinets mailed on request.

KEEN KUTTER CUTLERY AND TOOLS

SOLD BY MAXWELL HARDWARE COMPANY.

'HEATH CLUB' DISBANDED AFTER ROW

Firemen's Organization, Bitterly Fought by Chief, Goes Out of Existence; Men to Be Represented in Civil Service

General Warning of Head of Department, Threatening to Dismiss Members of New Body, Principal Cause of End

After a brief but turbulent lease of life, the Heath Club, organized with a view of providing protection to members of the fire department in view of contemplated action towards placing extra men in regular positions, has disbanded. The \$1 fee collected from more than one hundred members of the department has been returned individually, together with the announcement of M. D. McGuinness, financial secretary and treasurer, of his resignation.

W. H. Dwyer, president of the Oakland Civil Service Employees' Association, announced today that with the disbanding of the new organization, arrangements will be made whereby the firemen will be represented on the executive board of the Civil Service Employees' Association, and that they will be extended such privileges as they deem necessary.

FOUGHT BY CHIEF.
The Heath Club was fought by Fire Chief Elliot Whitehead, who maintained that there are provisions in the civil service regulations which prevent members of the fire department from joining any organization other than their own in so far as such organization affected their employment.

W. E. Smith, deputy district attorney, who was secretary of the Heath Club and appointed attorney after its formation, took issue with Whitehead, declaring that the Heath Club was an organization of citizens out of the fire department but that the membership was open to the firemen if they cared to belong. The firemen on the other hand were notified by the chief that they should refrain from joining the club at peril of their standing in the department.

McGuinness, in his letter to the former members, says:

After mature deliberation and

Eczema Wash

Used in Hospitals

How many hospital patients have been freed of their frightful itch, of the scorching pain of skin disease, by the famous D. D. D. Prescription for eczema, a soothing fluid, washed in by a nurse's hand?

A Supervising Nurse (name of nurse and institute on application), writes regarding a patient: "The disease had eaten her eyebrows away. Her nose and face had become disfigured. Since the use of D. D. D. her eyebrows are growing, her nose and face have assumed their natural expression."

Some of our best doctors are using D. D. D. right along in their regular practice. Come to us and we will tell you more about this remarkable remedy, 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Your money back unless the first bottle relieves you. D. D. D. Soap keeps your skin healthy. Ask about it. The Owl Drug Company.

Oakland Not So Small, After All

Youth Did Plenty of
Walking, in Vain

James Kenney, 11 years of age, discovered first hand last night that Oakland is a city of wonderful proportions. He arrived on an evening train from Sacramento to locate his mother, who was employed as window demonstrator for a brand of razors. He appeared at the central police station tired and baffled in his search, saying that he "thought Oakland was a small place and that he could easily find his mother by walking up and down the street."

After a fruitless effort on the part of the police to locate the lad's parent he was given accommodations at the city hall last night and during the night it was learned that his mother had returned suddenly to Sacramento leaving the price of his fare at the railway office. This morning Inspector Charles McCarthy escorted James to the depot and put him safely aboard the train for home, a tired but wiser youth.

Girl Faints; Restored; Now Misses Jewelry

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—If the gallant young man who went to the assistance of a fainting lady at Ellis and Mason streets this morning will communicate with the police, he will confer a favor on the department. If he will bring with him a gold ring set with an engraved black cameo he will confer a favor on Miss Edith Fair, Burnett Apartments, O'Farrell and Larkin.

Miss Fair was walking down Ellis street this morning when she was seized with faintness at the corner of Mason street. As she sank to the pavement a young man, modestly dressed, rushed to her assistance, held her in his arms and, aided by other passersby, restored her to consciousness. Miss Fair thanked him; he lifted his hat politely and disappeared. Later Miss Fair discovered that the ring was missing from her finger.

Manufacturers Employ 8,000,000 in America

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The country's manufacturing industries in 1914 turned out products valued at more than twenty-four billion dollars and employed eight million persons, the census bureau announced today.

'PATIENT' STEALS MICROSCOPE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Calling in the guide, a patient at 8 o'clock this morning at the office of Dr. E. F. Mahan, 1095 Valencia street, a clever thief abstracted a microscope worth \$150, and made a successful escape with the loot. The police are looking for him on a meager description furnished by Mrs. Clara de Varila, the office nurse.

consultation with numerous taxpayers and also with the executives of the different offices with which you must come in contact, I have arrived at the conclusion that not only will this club, as now constituted, be of no assistance, but might be a positive injury to you, therefore I have this day tendered my resignation.

OFFERS ALTERNATIVE.

However, believing that the men of the department desire an organization in which matters pertaining to the good of the service, and themselves, may be discussed, I have taken upon myself to interview the president, secretary and several of the executive board of the Civil Service Employees' Association, who assured me that if the firemen desired to join their organization they would be very welcome and that steps would be immediately taken to give them representation on the executive board.

FRAUDULENT LAND ENTRIES CHARGED

Ownership of 100,000 Acres
May Depend Upon Trial of
Alameda Man.

Sued for the return of 7000 acres of land in Klamath county, F. A. Hyde of Alameda, with several associates, is being tried in the district court of Oregon, sitting at Klamath Falls. Hyde, who makes his home in an ark lying off the eastern shore of Alameda, has operated for many years in school lands in Northern California and in Oregon.

Hyde and his business associates are charged with having obtained large areas of school lands through dummy entries and with having later exchanged them for lieu lands in the forest reserve. The greater portion of the property involved is valuable. The case now on trial is the suit of the federal government to recover 7000 acres in Klamath county, but upon the decision of the court may depend the ownership of some 60,000 acres in other counties of Oregon and as many more acres in California.

S. F. Ad Club to Elect Officers at Meeting

The San Francisco Ad Club holds its regular annual election tomorrow in conjunction with a luncheon at the Palace Hotel. A complete set of directors and of new officers will be voted upon. There is a spirited contest for several of the offices. The

ROAD MAY OWN LARGE LAND AREA

Old Grant, Deeding Shoals to
Southern Pacific, Is to
Be Sought

Almost the entire legal staff of the Southern Pacific Co. is at work on the problem which has confronted them, through the discovery by the Oakland chamber of commerce that the shoals north of Yerba Buena Island, originally selected as a possible site for a Federal naval base, may be in reality company property.

The land, which is one of the most valuable holdings of the San Francisco bay district, was granted to the old Central Pacific railway back in 1854. Since then all trace of the ownership record seems to have vanished. Railroad attorneys declare that company records burned in the great fire probably contained the record. To determine the company's claim, if such exists, it will be necessary to delve into old records, interview some of the early residents of the bay district and perform a voluminous amount of work.

At the present time no definite solution of the matter has been discovered. The last trace is contained in the surveyor general's office at Sacramento in the Central Pacific grant. Whether or not the latter in turn, passed over its interest to the Southern Pacific at the time of the merger of the two roads, is not known.

In the meantime, the tax collector's office in San Francisco is starting an independent investigation to determine how much unpaid taxes has accrued since 1864, on the property, which if not state holdings or Federal property, is taxable as a part of the city and county of San Francisco.

New officers will take up at once plans for bringing the 1917 National Advertising convention to San Francisco.

Boy Fires Shot That Slays His Mother

MODESTO, Dec. 12.—While loading a

shotgun in the kitchen at their home at the Standard Oil station near Newman, Mrs. Dawson, 36 years old, accidentally discharged the weapon, killing his mother. Mrs. M. A. Dawson, who was busy at her work. The charge of shot

at close range practically decapitated Mrs. Dawson. The boy told his story this morning to a coroner's jury at Gustine and was exonerated.

The Pacific Cloak and Suit House is Quitting Business

The long established business so favorably known to the women of Oakland and nearby towns for its "Quality" apparel at popular prices is closing out for good about January 1st when our lease will expire.

Don't Miss Our Great Retiring Sale Now Going On

Only a few days to dispose of a large stock. Newest winter modes for women and misses are being sacrificed at less than cost of materials. Positively greatest real garment values ever offered in Oakland. Seeing is believing. Goods are going with a rush. Come quickly for best choice. Tremendous sales of the past week left many broken lines. These are grouped at three new, and still lower prices.

Tomorrow—Wednesday—

Dresses for \$3.00
Coats for \$6.00
Suits for \$9.00

Broken lines from last week's selling, still further reduced. Worth two or three times tomorrow's prices. Were great bargains at the original Retiring Sale prices. NOW values almost beyond belief.

Washington
and 11th Sts.,
Oakland

Pacific
Cloak and Suit House

N. E. Corner
in Bacon
Building

A Man's Banking Connections Largely Determine His Success in Business

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Oakland High School Students To Present Operetta Tonight



OAKLAND HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS WHO WILL DRESS AS JAPANESE MAIDENS IN PLAY THIS EVENING. THEY ARE: HELEN BUFFUM, MADGE AYER, DOROTHY POTTER AND ADELE GOGGIN. —Nelle Stone photo.

Japanese Songs, Settings and Music Will Brighten Up Old Gymnasium

Japanese maidens and Japanese songs will take possession of Oakland High School this evening, when the students will assay the roles of principal and chorus in the Arthur Penn opera, "Yokohama Maid." The performance is to be given in the school gymnasium and will mark its second production by the students of the school.

Leading parts will be taken by Walter Sisson, Dorothy Dutra, Dorothy Potter, Helen Buffum, George Grant, Adele Goggin, Mildred Taylor, Katherine Adams, Isaac Greenberg, Saxon Lewis and Alvin Thomas. The chorus will include thirty-six of the girls and boys in the school.

Madge Ayer is managing the production and is aided by George Grant. Walter Barlett has acted as coach.

MAN, LONG SOUGHT, IS UNDER ARREST

Arthur K. Jones, a salesman living at 67 Frisby street, San Francisco, who was so anxious last April to lay hands upon H. F. Procter, A. R. Hathaway and H. S. Bridgewater that he swore to warrants for their arrest on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, will soon be able to confront Bridgewater, who was arrested in Sacramento last Saturday night. Bridgewater was brought to San Francisco this morning and was arraigned before Police Judge Fitzpatrick. He was released on \$2000 bond.

In the complaint which Jones made he alleged that Procter and Hathaway represented themselves to him as directors of a corporation called the Autliff Company, which was to manufacture a compound which would render automobile tires puncture-proof.

They offered to let Jones in on the ground floor for \$10,000 worth of capital stock, he alleged, at 50 cents a share. No allegation is contained in the complaint that Bridgewater made any of the alleged representations. Procter and Hathaway have not been located.

"Santa Claus" of Poor Will Live

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—"Uncle Mose" Lowenstein, the Santa Claus of Trinity street, is not going to die. The pleadings and prayers of his hundreds of little friends have awakened in him a determination to get well and, contrary to the doctors' predictions, he is today recovering instead of sinking.

There will be no Christmas tree for Trinity's kids this year, but these little tots, who will thus be passed up entirely by Santa, aren't crying. "Uncle Mose" will live to cut the hair, mend the shoes and hear the troubles of these children, so this year he is to be the recipient of presents, and the youngsters are making presents for the big-hearted merchant in the moments they are not writing notes, begging him to get well, or singing under his window.

U. S. SOLONS WOULD END OIL DISPUTE

A compromise by which the controversy between the federal government and the operators of California oil fields will be amicably adjusted is being considered by the Senate. A joint committee in Washington, its adoption will secure to the Navy Department the possession, in one compact tract, of one of the most important oil-bearing properties in California, with a supply of oil sufficient for the needs of the navy for fifty years.

The plan is for the Standard and Associated Oil Companies to surrender to the government the sections of patented land which they hold within the boundaries of Naval Reserve No. 1, and for the government in turn to abandon its opposition to the claimants of lands situated within the boundaries of Naval Reserve No. 2.

Cannot Tell Voice From Machine Record

For an hour, an audience of sixteen hundred people tried to distinguish between a human voice and its perfect reproduction on an Edison phonograph last evening in the Municipal Opera House at an exhibition of the new Edison under the direction of Olin S. Grove, manager of the Edison Studio of H. C. Capwell Company. They tried, but in vain—for so perfect were the mechanical reproductions of vocal inflections and shadings that the phonograph seemed a double of the breathing man beside it.

Glen Ellison was the artist who gave his services for the occasion, singing a number of Scotch dialect songs. Standing beside the instrument, on which was turning a record of the song, he alternately sang and remained silent and so perfect was the union of the tones that it was impossible to tell when Ellison was singing and when the instrument was playing alone.

The similarity of the artificial tone to the human voice was also shown in a different manner. A duet record—"Some-where a Voice is Calling"—was played on the Edison. Ellison sang a third part. The result was a perfect vocal trio in which the living voice could not be singled out from the reproduced tones.

Accused Thrower of Acid Faces Trial

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No Trouble to Remove Superfluous Hair

(Tollit. Tips.) It is an easy matter to rid the skin of objectionable hair or fuzz, if you proceed as follows: Mix a paste with some water and a little powdered delatone, apply to hairy surface and in 2 or 3 minutes rub off, wash the skin and the hairs are gone. This method of hairing hairy growths is painless and does not mar the skin, but to avoid disappointment, be certain to get real delatone. Advertisement.

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Arnerich 'Roasted' Now Wants Probe

When Assemblyman Paul Arnerich of Alameda forwarded a letter to the motor vehicle department at Sacramento November 30, asking for an automobile license for 1917, he received no reply until December 7. When he did receive the reply it was a long exposition of the law on the automobile and motor vehicle act, a roast for his failure to enclose a check for the sum; and a reminder that he was violating the law if he was operating a car without paying the necessary fee to the state.

What it started was this: Arnerich gathered up his checks from the bank, the ones with colored endorsements on the back, and forwarded them to the state. Then he found one for \$14.40 forwarded to the motor vehicle department of California, endorsed by one H. A. Potts, accepted by State Treasurer Friend and Richardson and canceled as paid by his bank.

So Arnerich is now wondering just what he bought at Sacramento. He knows it was not the executive man, because that is worth at least \$20. in Arnerich.

Wife Threw Cards in His Face, Is Charge

Allegations that his wife threw cards in his face and that she associated with a member of the Berkeley fire department while he was at sea, constitute the basis for a divorce action filed in the Superior Court by Charles H. Graham, a seaman, against Mary Graham. Adelaide J. Trass began suit for a divorce against William H. J. Trass, alleging cruelty.

The following interlocutory decrees were granted: Charles Mangunson against Miss Mangunson, cruelty, and Lillian N. Clark against Charles Clark, neglect.

His reply mailed to French today, he asked for a copy of the department's report, a list of employees, an outline of the bookkeeping system of the office and concluded with a broad hint that French is a humorist.

"And if I introduce a motion calling for an investigation of French's attitude at the next session of the legislature, I'll be chairman of the committee," says Arnerich.

Goethals Against Taft Canal Pact

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 12.—Addressing more than 1000 engineers at the annual dinner of the Engineers Society of Western Pennsylvania here last night, Major-General George W. Goethals recommended the abrogation of the Taft agreement with the Republic of Panama and the establishment of complete sovereignty over the Canal Zone by the United States. He also declared that the canal could be made to pay largely if it was allowed to engage in business other than that directly concerned with the transit of shipping.

General Goethals reviewed at length the question of canal tolls and declared that because of the system under which the American and English vessels were taxed as to their carrying capacity, on which they are taxed for tolls, all the advantage was in English shipping as against American, and it worked also to the disadvantage of the canal.

Why Suffer From Migraine or Sick Headache?

Dr. J. J. Caldwell says that this exceedingly distressing disease does not shorten life, but does not appear to be curable. Sufferers from this affliction are condemned to undergo the periodical attacks every few weeks until they are forty years of age, after which the attacks are less frequent and finally disappear entirely. Palliative measures during the attack are all that is possible to suggest, while care in the diet is the best preventive measure. An attack may often be prevented by taking one anti-kamnia tablet when the first symptoms appear, and one anti-kamnia tablet every four hours during the attack. Anti-kamnia tablets may be obtained in all drug stores. Ask for A-K Tablets. They quickly relieve all pain.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23RD

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1916.

DEPORTATION OF BELGIANS.

An illustration of the Government of the United States
passing the buck to "the people" is provided in the protest
against deportation by Germany of Belgian citizens from
their country. Having received an unfavorable reply from
the German Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Lansing an-
nounced Saturday that the State Department is through with
the case for the time being and that it is up to the people
for their comment.

If the Government has exhausted all its resources to
redress a wrong, what profit can result from inviting public
discussion of the failure? The press of the country has
already commented quite freely upon the latest expression of
German policy in Belgium—the deportation of able-bodied
Belgian men. Some of them heads of families, and some,
it is alleged, connected with the American relief work, have
been collected and sent into the interior of Germany. Rep-
resentatives of the German-American press were among the
first to express disapproval of this policy. They felt that
they were called upon to discharge the too onerous task in
connection with the work of explaining and justifying the
Belgian policy of the Fatherland.

Mr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg was more courteous in re-
plying to the protest of the United States than in answering
Holland's appeal. In effect, he told Holland to attend to
her own business. To the United States Government he has
explained that the deported Belgians are not to be used in
military occupations; that no members of the relief corps
will be taken from their work intentionally, and that as few
as possible of the heads of families will be taken from their
homes. But he does not explain for what purpose the
deportation is intended. There have been hints that an
uprising among the Belgian population, practically all of
which is behind the German lines facing the French and
English, was feared. But no definite evidence of such has
been presented.

Numerous charges, having their source in the allied na-
tions, are in complete contradiction of the assurances voiced
by the German foreign office. It would be the better part
of discretion and justice to await confirmation of the charges
that have been made against German military authorities,
and of the statement of the German foreign secretary. If
Secretary Lansing possesses reliable information concerning
the details of the deportations, he should have made it public
at the same time he invited public discussion.

Whatever may be the motive and the provocation for
taking thousands of Belgian men from their homes and send-
ing them into another country, the tragedy is none the less
tragic. It is an epic of sorrow which civilization would have
preferred not to read. The picture the imagination paints
recalls the exiled maid of Grand-Pre in Longfellow's poem:

Silent a moment they stood in speechless wonder,
and then rose
Louder and ever louder a wail of sorrow and
anger,
And by one impulse moved, they madly rushed
to the doorway.
Vain was the hope of escape; and cries and
fierce imprecations.

If we multiplied the scenes at Grand-Pre a thousand
or ten thousand times, a somewhat accurate idea of the
situation in Belgium might be obtained. If Germany does
not wish to explain now, she will perhaps at a later date,
for the neutral world will continue to ask "why" until an
answer is heard.

VILLA STILL A PROBLEM.

Francisco Villa's proclamation of defiance of the people
of "North America" cannot be laughed away. Villa is no
joke. He has shown that many times over. He is stronger
in northern Mexico today than he has ever been since he
broke with Carranza. His declaration of policy to kill
Americans, to drive Americans and other foreigners out of
Mexico and to continue his outrages along the Mexican bor-
der cannot be accepted as mere bravado; he has already
established the proof of his intentions by his wanton deeds.

The United States Government should realize that it
must deal with Villa sooner or later. He is not the sort of
quantity that perishes through neglect. The "Get Villa"
program was a good one and should have been pursued to
a successful realization, but since it has been abandoned
something else must be substituted.

A strong factor which should dictate our policy, if we
are to have any for proceeding against this bandit leader, is
that he is impossible as the head of any recognized authority
in Mexico. If he should establish himself in any way as
the President of Mexico the first request which the United
States would have to make upon him would be the requi-
sition for his own person, to be publicly hanged in Columbus,
New Mexico, where he was guilty of a score of murders.

OUR ABUNDANT RESOURCES.

Today the United States Naval Commission is inspect-
ing the east bay district with regard to its facilities for
localing a \$25,000,000 naval base. The recommendations

which this commission will make to Congress will be con-
clusive in determining the choice among all the sites on the
Pacific Coast for the location of the proposed new naval
station.

Without detracting in the least from the availability of
locations in other cities, the communities on the east side
of the bay are today offering the Government sites which
possess all the necessary advantages of location, economy
and strategy. If none of these sites are selected by the naval
commission, it will not be because they are not adequate for
the purpose, but that some other site may show more ap-
parent attractions. It will be a source of congratulation to all
and a surprise to some to realize that besides having un-
limited facilities for new industrial establishments along our
waterfront and adequate accommodations for water trans-
portation, this district is also able to offer the ground and
harbor for a great naval base.

SUFFRAGISTS HAVE NEW ARGUMENT.

Suffrage is to be an issue in the present session of Con-
gress, as it was in the one which opened a year ago. At
least, it is to be held up as a threatening spectre before the
Wilson administration. A lobby from the Congressional
Union is established in Washington to urge enactment of
the Susan B. Anthony amendment and representatives of
the "antis" are on hand to prevent it if possible.

Interest of the Western States in this issue has become
somewhat heightened by the new argument of the suffrage
advocates. They claim that the Democratic party to main-
tain itself must look to the West; that it was the West that
re-elected Mr. Wilson; that he cannot hold the West with-
out the aid of the women voters, and to win their support he
must aid woman suffrage.

Having established a high reputation as a politician of
remarkable astuteness and foresight, it is doubtful whether
Mr. Wilson will be impressed with this line of reasoning.
That his election was decided by the Western States he will
probably grant, after allowing for the vote of Ohio and
Kansas, but that the vote of the women gave him the West-
ern States he may hesitate to admit. He probably has not
so soon forgotten that the Congressional Union waged their
fight against his re-election with greatest energy in the West-
ern States—"the equal suffrage States, where four million
women vote." And that they opposed his re-election be-
cause of his opposition to woman suffrage by federal amend-
ment.

After this Mr. Wilson must be pardoned if he concludes
that his stand against woman suffrage had no effect what-
soever on the vote in the States of the West which he carried.
President Wilson is opposed to suffrage being extended by
Constitutional amendment and in composing the last Demo-
cratic platform he dictated a paragraph expressing his party's
preference for State action. If the vote of the West had
any significance at all on the suffrage question it meant that
the woman voters approve the Wilson program, and in view
of this it appears weak logic for the suffrage lobby to urge
that Mr. Wilson must approve the federal amendment or
lose much of this support.

If the lobbyists are sincere in their presentation of their
case, well and good, but if they are not they are endeavor-
ing to disseminate an impression that is not to the greatest
credit of the West. For the West to become a "solid"
support of one political party, as the South now is, would
be an unfortunate juncture in its political development. Up
to the present the voters of the West have been independent;
they have not been hide-bound to organization, but have been
able to decide for themselves and vote as they please. Lobby-
ists who endeavor to picture this section of the country in a
different light, or to pledge a part of its vote for favorable
legislative action on any question are ready to barter away
the independence of the Western voters. There is no chance
that the administration will change its attitude on the suffrage
question; the recent election demonstrated that there is no
need for a change and all the efforts of special pleaders
to advertise the West as possible of colonization are as
harmful as they are obnoxious to the thinking people of the
West.

ACCUMULATING EFFECTS.

One of the very latest effects of the forced withdrawal
of American-operated steamships from the trans-Pacific
trade is the increase in passenger rates between the United
States and the Orient. The fare between San Francisco
and Seattle and Hongkong, Shanghai and Manila has
been raised \$25, or to \$250. This new schedule is the
result of an agreement between the Japanese lines operating
to American Pacific ports and the British lines sailing out
of Vancouver. The influence of the Japanese companies,
which enjoy a practical monopoly of the passenger trade
between this country and the Far East, is evidenced by the
fact that the fare to Japanese ports remains the same.
Special rates, which included percentage reduction for mis-
sionaries and Government officials residing in the Far East
have been abolished.

This disadvantageous change must be credited to the sea-
man's bill. Japanese steamship men said two years ago
they could not understand why the United States Govern-
ment should place such power for monopoly in their hands.
Maybe the American traveler and business man will in time
realize the effect of such a short-sighted policy.

The frequency of hunting accidents has been generally
noted. The many tragedies that occur through dragging
guns by the muzzle and handling them in an unsportsman-
like manner in boats and other conveyances, though pain-
fully unnecessary, are not as distressing as the class of
accidents that occur through one man with a gun mistaking
another, generally his companion and friend, for the game.
This class of accidents became so common a few years back
that the wearing of red or other colored hat readily dis-
tinguishable from forest colors, was advised and in some
instances insisted upon. All such accidents result from
unfamiliarity with the gun. The instinct to kill survives in
man, but readiness with the modern weapon used to slay
must be acquired. This is not gained by going out for one
day a week during the open season. A modern "hunter"
may be able to discuss the newest gun with a glibness that
would stamp him in the understanding of the novice as a
great hunter, but that familiarity in hunting, in woodcraft
and in the habits of game are only acquired by such experi-
ences as men who live in game haunts and make a business
of stalking it go through. It is not a rash statement to say
that at least half of those who go forth with a gun to hunt
are not fit to be trusted with firearms.

NOTES and COMMENT

The news has been rushed through
from the Department of Agriculture
that Alaska produced abundant crops
in 1915.

The official count discloses that
Hughes has a lead of 181,950 in
Pennsylvania. There is more water
than is necessary in the ocean, but
that doesn't help out the shortage in
the Sahara desert.

Lord Northcliffe, apropos of the
mistaken revolution, declares that
England is tired of dawdling. That
being the case it has taken the right
step. Lloyd George certainly is not
noted for dawdling.

That story of bricks from an old
Shasta structure containing two to
ten cents of gold apiece, having been
poulticed from an auriferous clay, is
fine to read, but has some earmarks
of an attempt to gold-brick the public
credulity.

One of the surprising and reassur-
ing signs is the rejection by Tonopah
miners of a proposition to strike.
Miners generally, and those of the
Nevada camps in particular, have
been ever prompt to favor all such
propositions.

Coast managers now will have nets
out for players to fill weak places.
A baseball writer announces. There is
a club whose net should be strong
and of fine mesh, and which should
be vigorously cast, but it shall be
nameless here.

The man who was bitten by a tick
and has "braced" the State Accident
Board for compensation to the
amount of \$171, is far in the lead.
The industrial accident law has de-
veloped a large number of hitherto
unrecognized ferocious animals.

After a contemplation of the picture
of Miss Jeanette Rankin, Mere Man
should be willing to admit that the
punctiliousness of the House of Repre-
sentatives is not going to be lowered
by the presence of Montana's inno-
vating member.

The Pleasanton Times appears to
be obsessed with a groundless fear.
"Pleasanton Township is to be a
'borough' under the plan of city and
county consolidation now being agi-
tated in Oakland. If we don't watch
out we may be the 'burro'."

The Bureau of Fisheries, having in-
vestigated, finds that shark skins
may become a substitute for leather,
solving in a measure the high cost.
Sure! All the shoe manufacturer will
have to do to stock up is to go out
and kill a lot of sharks and tan their
skins.

The time-honored stage driver has
been dislodged from almost his last
stand, Yellowstone Park. The stage
driver certainly was a picturesque
character. His unvarnished loquacity
contrasts strikingly with the depress-
ing taciturnity of his successor, the
auto driver.

Whatever else resulted, City Man-
ager Reed, who's attempt to manage
San Jose is recent and contentious,
has apparently acquired experience,
which he is imparting to other town-
in addresses. He ought to have
something to say of interest, especially
to those towns that are embarking in
that sort of thing.

The actors are now demanding
closed shop. They want it so that no
actor shall be allowed to act unless
he can show membership in the
White Rats' Union. The admission
to the movies is only ten cents, but
the public finds them a pretty fair
substitute for the old-time entertain-
ment.

The next exposition will be pulled
off by Mississippi. It is to open De-
cember 10 at Gulfport, and will
commemorate the hundredth anni-
versary of Mississippi's admission as
a State. One probability is that not
many fatalities will result from the
rush of showmen for a chance on
the zone, or whatever the amusement
section is to be called.

Bakersfield Californian: "We note
with satisfaction that as a result of
the diet square survival of the ordeal
of living on better food than most of
us have and thrive on, the doctors
and cooks and schoolmasters who
watched over the squad have deduced
and published nine maxims. These
maxims are almost a verbatim repeti-
tion of what our grandmother was
doing fifty years ago, and our mother
after her, and our wife now."

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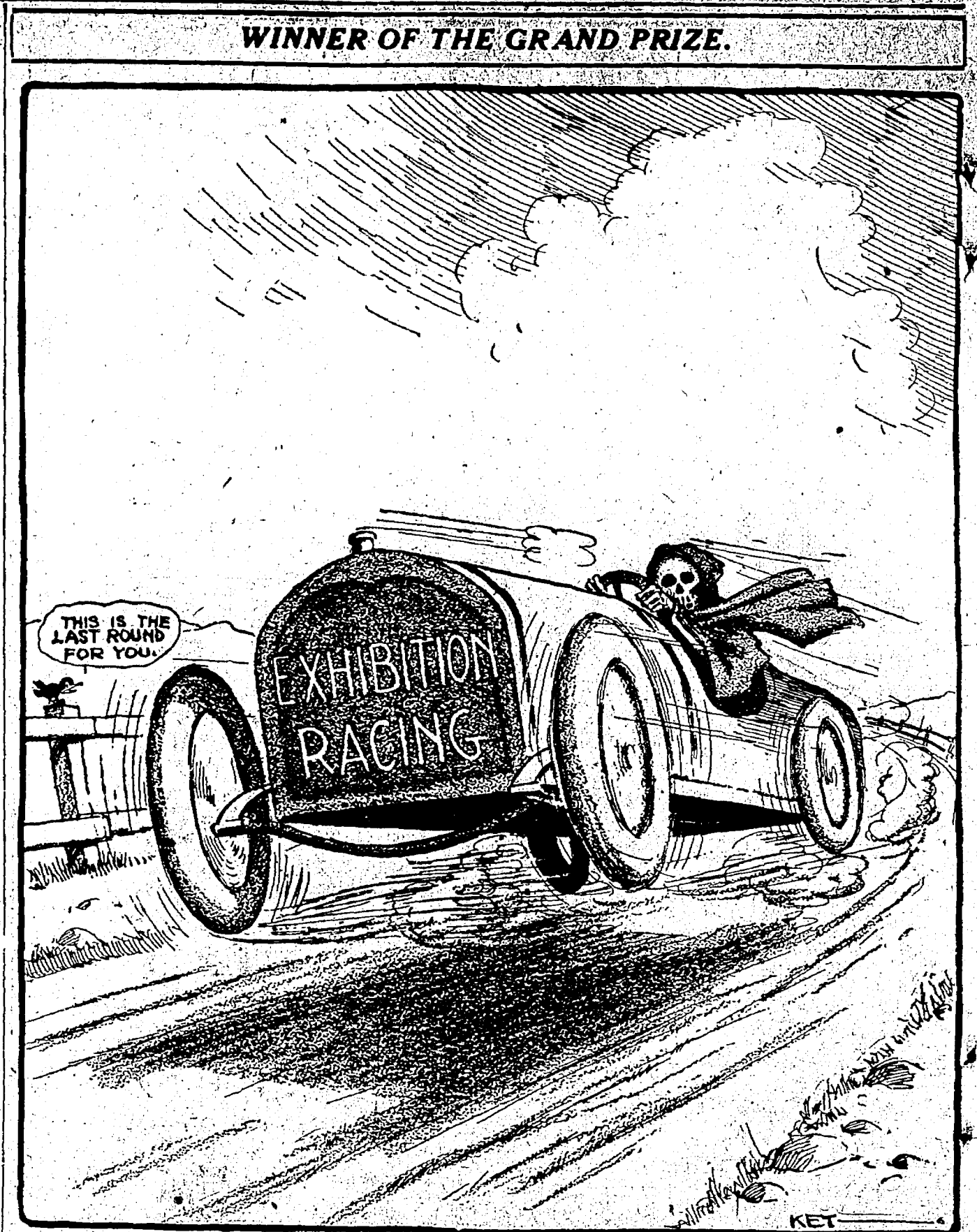
The first unit of a large factory to
manufacture dyestuffs at National
City was put in operation last week.
This bids fair to develop into a big
factory in the commercial develop-
ment of San Diego's bay country. As
fast as the business expands the plant
is to be enlarged. The dyes are being
made of orchilla, shipped here from
Lower California.—San Diego Tribune.

The Fresno Republican lays down
the rule that matrimonial difficulties
and that the public has no right to
know about the marital difficulties of
unfortunate divorcees, then goes on to
discuss Jack London's affairs of that
character, finally calling London a
"cad." Hardly fair to a dead man,
is it?—and as little consistent as fair.
—Bakersfield Californian.

Gold has loomed so large as a Cali-
fornia mineral since '49 that few peo-
ple realize that there are just four
different minerals mined in the
State, and all but two counties con-
tribute some mineral product.—Han-
ford Sentinel.

More than 100 young men of the
city last night attended a smoker
given by the Native Sons. Got their
representative young men behind a
Greater Redding movement and their
enthusiasm would make things hum.
And why shouldn't the young men be
among the most active in community
development work? On the future of
the community depends their future.
—Redding Courier-Free Press.

Merced county is now one of the
few counties in the west with the dis-
tinction of having no bonded debt,
liquidation having been made by the
board of supervisors Tuesday on the
last of the courthouse bonds, which
amounted to \$10,000.—Merced Star.



A NEW LODGE!

By W. T. FITCH.
You know the Elks and Woodmen,
The Royal Arch and Masons,
And all the list of lodges
That everywhere abound?
But you've overlooked the largest
(I'll give you when I charge it)
For you thought you knew the list
of all
That meet the world around.

The greatest of all lodges,
The biggest of hodge-podges,
You've not suspected all your life-
Until its name I tell.
You're a member of the brotherhood
For there's one in every neighbor-
hood—
You'll know it when I speak the
name,
The "H. C. L."

You pay your dues when buying
shoes,
It's in the bill for smokes and booze,
And when you pay the grocer's bill
You're dealing him the joker.
There isn't any pin to wear,
The badge of it's a look of care.
We'll all be in the self-same craft,
From President to stoker.

L'Envoi:
There's just one thing about this
clan
That's not in any other plan—
You can't be blackballed or expelled;
You're IN and HAVE to pay your
dues.

AID FOR WEST OAKLAND HOME.

To the Editor of The Tribune:
The ladies of our home wish to
thank you most heartily for the
publicity given us in THE TRIBUNE
for our recent Doll Show and are very
grateful for your kindness. It helped
us to make this year the most suc-
cessful affair we ever had.

ANNIE S. WOLFE,
Corresponding Secretary The West
Oakland Home.
Dec. 10th.

MAINE'S CHRISTMAS GREENS.

This is the season when scores of
Maine women enter the woods in
search of rare plants and wild berries,
which are collected and shipped to
the metropolitan markets for the hol-
iday trade. The next thirty days are
busy ones for these workers who,
during the day, gather the greens and
get them ready for shipment, which
begins the first of December and con-
tinues for two weeks. The search for
partridge berries is perhaps more
general than for any other form of
wild plant life. The long, trailing vines
are usually found in thick woods, but
those with the well-developed berries
are not plentiful, and it frequently
happens that people will spend a
whole day without finding half a
dozen vines with berries upon them.

Many people form these vines into
small wreaths, winding them face
down into a pan of water every night
and removing them each morning;
the brilliancy of the berries and
leaves will continue for many months.
In the big cities they are eagerly
sought. What is perhaps the most
striking combination of wild plant life
which invariably meets with a ready
sale is the glass bowls with various
collections found only in the dense
woods. Such combinations usually
consist of the partridge berry vines,
ornamental mosses, small fungus
growths, sometimes pieces of birch
bark or twigs of striking beauty and
occasionally the rare but ever popu-
lar plant known as adder's tongue.

Prices of these bowls range from \$1 to
\$5, and there is always a striking de-
mand for them in the best market
places. The adder's tongue, which is
growing scarcer with each succeeding
year, is also growing in popularity,
and many people prefer to pot it
singly and sell the specimens for a
good profit.—Lewiston Journal.

ECONOMY A REMEDY FOR H. C. L.

To the Editor of The Tribune:

The high cost of living seems to be
such a good subject for discussion, to
attract public attention, that we have
a mass of ill-digested remedies proposed,
running from a food boycott to gov-
ernment seizure of all foodstuffs and
selling it to the people. It is inter-
esting to remember that in 1898 we
had a similar outbreak against low
prices, in which all sorts of govern-
mental schemes were proposed to
raise prices. All of these finally
boiled down into Mr. Bryan's panacea
of free coinage of silver at a ratio of
16 to 1.

It is safe to say that the present
rise in prices is due to economic law.
The demand grows close upon the
supply. The demand is increased by
the destructive effects of the Euro-
pean war. That effect has slowly
spread all over the world. Present
high prices will be equalized in the
near seasons to come, because they
tempt the producer to greater produc-
tion, which will again bring the sup-
ply abreast of the demand.

Meaning a patient study of
economics will afford relief. Man has
two primordial needs—shelter and
food. When food is high he fills his
belly at the expense of his back; if he
be wise, and wears less expensive
clothing that he may eat.

There is in our Adult Blind Home,
Thirty-sixth street and Telegraph av-
enue, an example of economy that

may be useful as a study. I take this
menu of last Saturday, December 9,
as an illustration. These three meals
were served that day to the inmates
of that institution.

BREAKFAST
Rolled oats, mush and milk
Pork and beans
Baked potatoes
Tea, coffee, milk
DINNER
Soup
Corned beef and cabbage
Potatoes
Tea, coffee, milk
SUPPER
Beans, corned beef hash
Apple sauce
Tea, coffee, milk

Of course, bread and butter and
fruit, raw or cooked, are served at
each meal; and the supply of all food
is unlimited. Everything served is
strictly first class. The meat ration
varies every day, and includes roast
beef, pork, veal and mutton, and veg-
etables are served in variety. The
cost is 25 cents per day, per head, or
a fraction over 8 cents for each meal.
The cooking is first class and so is
the service.

I have to advise the clubs and com-
mittees which are interested in the
subject to visit the home at men-
time and partake of the food. They
may learn something.

JOHN P. IRISH.
Oakland, December 11.

A LETTER TO DISCONTENTED WIVES

Mrs. Kathleen Norris, in a talk "To
Discontented Wives," in the Christmas
Pictorial Review, says:

"Women are natural reformers, in
theory. Even the happiest wife, in
these days, will admit that between
the servant problem, and the cost of
living, and schooling, and the occa-
sional eccentricities of the good man,
she herself has her trials. But at the
same time, she knows exactly how the
B family, next door, and the A family,
across the street, could manage much
better than they do! If she could
only advise them, she says regretfully.
If poor little Mrs. B would stop pick-
ing up that baby every time it cries,
and if they would get rid of that eld-
erly maid, and if, instead of em-
broroiding senseless clothes for the
children, that strong, kind, unmarried
sister would come and lend a hand
with the housework, it would all be
so simple and easy! And if Mrs. A
would move into a smaller house, and
stop buying expensive things for
which she had no need, and quote her
own family and their opinions a little
less, why, she and her husband would
have no cause for all these quarrels!
And so on and on.

THE JESTER

A Cynical Miss.
She—Tell me a story.
He—Once upon a time before people
married for money—
She—Oh, that's too ancient; that must
have happened before money was inven-
ted.—Boston Transcript.

Knew His Father.
"Dad, I had a fight yesterday with the
boy next door."
"Yes, his father called at my office to-
day about it."
"I hope you came out as well as I did."
—Boston Transcript.

Need for Haste.
"When I was here last week," said
the restaurant patron, "I was charged
only \$8 cents for this entree. Now I see
it's marked \$1."
"That's right, boss," answered the af-
fable waiter. "An' I advises you to
order it today. There ain't no telling
what it'll cost you nex' week."—Bir-
mingham Age-Herald.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

The leading event in musical circles
this week was the concert by Ellen
Beach Yaw.
The wedding of Charles Bolin and
Miss Mary Carleton took place last
Thursday.

The engagement is announced of
Louis Ralston, only son of Mr. and
Mrs. A. J. Ralston, and Miss Louise
Sumner of Ithaca, N. Y.

The carnival of nations, given un-
der the auspices of the Protestant
churches of Alameda, is proving very
successful and tonight Armory hall
will probably be crowded.

On the first of January all the local
train will be supplied with gates.

KNOCKING OUT THE PROPS.

Governor McCall is inviting the
displeasure of the administration at
Washington by urging prayers for the
end of the war in his Thanksgiving
proclamation. The end of the war
will mean the end of the Democratic
prosperity.—Springfield Union.

YOUTH HELD FOR FRIEND'S DEATH TRAGEDY ENDS QUEST TO RESCUE GIRL

SHOOTING IN HOTEL HELD ACCIDENTAL

Party, Including Mother of the Boy Who Was Shot, Went to S. F. Seeking Orphan Girl Lured by Life in the Cafes

Strange Man Dominated Life of Young Woman; Revolver Was Taken "As Bluff," Dead Boy's Mother Believes Story

Frank Lacy, 18-year-old son of Daniel B. Lacy, principal of the Emeryville school, is in prison, charged with manslaughter as the result of an accidental shooting at 3 o'clock this morning in a room in the Panama Hotel, 176 Fourth street, San Francisco, in which Ralph Williams, a 19-year-old employee of the Southern Pacific Company, living at 1884 Alcatraz avenue, Berkeley, was instantly killed.

The tragedy was the culmination of a mission of love undertaken by Mrs. Williams, mother of the dead boy, who had determined to rescue from the cafe life of San Francisco a young woman, Rosalie Thomas, whom she had educated and taken into her home. She failed to find the girl in the resort visited and the party had taken lodgings in the hotel for the night.

Mrs. Williams, with her daughter Altha, 20 years old, was in a room across the hall when she heard the fatal shot and hurried over to find her son unconscious and at the point of death.

When starting out on their quest Mrs. Williams had persuaded Lacy to accompany her son and daughter, who were going with her. Thinking to make a "bluff" in the event that the party had any difficulty with rough characters, Lacy borrowed a revolver from A. E. Rodman of the South Berkeley Business College.

Williams and Lacy had taken a room together and the latter removed his cartridge, belt and pistol. Williams asked to see it. The cartridges were removed and after an examination it was reloaded again.

Lacy says Williams tried to take it out of his hand when it went off.

MISS ROSALIE THOMAS, object of search in resorts in San Francisco, and RALPH WILLIAMS, Berkeley boy, member of party, who was accidentally shot by companion.



N. Y. ROCKS IN REVELS OF BABYLON

Unmindful of Sorrows of Europe, Money-mad Gotham Lives for Moment in Night Orgies Dwarving Old Stories

Wall Street Great Gambling Table of World; Gold Flows in Metropolis and People Are Spending It Recklessly

(For twenty-eight months the world's attention has been centered on the struggle in Europe with its stories of heroism, suffering and self-sacrifice. The following is the first of a series of stories, throwing the spotlight on the contrasting picture presented by money-mad, prosperity-drunk New York, where gold is flowing in from the stricken nations of Europe, and is being thrown about in an orgy of Babylonian extravagances.)

By LOWELL MELLETT, Tribune-United Press Staff Correspondent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—New York is rolling, reveling, rollicking in wealth.

This is a never-before-in-history story.

New York banks today held reserves of \$816,794,200, and from every quarter of the globe money is pouring in—actual yellow gold by the millions, to be changed from the coin of other nations into the coin of the U. S. A.

Wall street has become a gambling table onto which is being thrown money from the earnings, winnings and savings of Americans and money from the coffers of kings.

NIGHT LIFE AWAKES.

While the large majority of New York's six millions are fighting a universal, desperate battle with the high cost of living, on the surface it appears that everybody has money to spend. They are spending it for necessities and luxuries.

Forty or more blocks in Manhattan are given over entirely to that ancient trio, wine, woman and song. War Broadway a new life.

Men whose business it is to take money from spenders say they never were able to take so much of it before.

Ancient Babylon could be set down inside New York's winter pleasure grounds without being noticed. Nebuchadnezzar wouldn't have a reputation outside of his own block.

MONEY POURS IN.

Cabarets have sprung up like mushrooms and dance halls thrive as in any new camp.

"Business is three times as big as the biggest we ever saw before this season," said the manager of the largest cabaret in the city.

Because of the crowds, theaters are sold out. Crowds that the "shop early" slogan do not account for fill department stores.

Warehouses are depleted of stocks and deliveries are far behind.

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Uncertainty as to who will be chief clerk and sergeant-at-arms of the Lower House makes contests for those posts close. Moses Stern of San Francisco, first assistant clerk at the last session, is a candidate for chief clerk.

Transport Is Aground; Women, Children Safe

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The United States army transport Sumner, bound from Colon to this port with army officers, troops and civilian passengers, is hard aground on the New Jersey coast off Barnegate. The coast guard cutters Sagadahoc and Albatross, under forced draught, are rushing to the relief of the transport, which sent out calls for help after she struck late last night in a fog.

The women and children among the 232 passengers on the Sumner have all been taken off in life boats according to a message received from Captain Weber of the transport.

PUBLIC WILL DECIDE UPON BREAD PRICE

Householders of Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley Are Invited by Bakers to Choose Between 5 and 6-Cent Loaf

Consumers to Decide at Meeting if Low Grade Loaf at 5 Cents Is to Be Preferred to High-Grade Loaf at 6 Cents

The public of Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda will be invited to fix the price of bread at mass meetings to be called soon by the Alameda County Master Bakers' Association.

Upon the survey of the public will depend whether or not the bakers will sell for 5 cents a loaf of bread which will be as large as a 6-cent loaf, but inferior quality. Bakers declare that they cannot continue to pay the loaf of the best quality for 5 cents, and say it is up to the public to decide between a 5-cent loaf of inferior quality and a loaf of better quality at 6 cents.

UP TO PUBLIC.

At mass meetings to be called without delay by the association the public will be asked to test the two loaves. Experts will explain the difference in nutritious qualities between the loaves.

Plans for holding mass meetings to determine the price of bread will be outlined by the Alameda County Master Bakers' Association at a meeting Saturday evening. It is probable that the Oakland meeting will be held in the Municipal Auditorium this month. Pending the master bakers' meeting, the public will decide whether or not they will in the meantime again raise the price of bread to 6 cents.

The association recently decided upon a point loaf, but because they claimed some of the bakers were taking away their trade by selling at 5 cents, the members have voted to raise the 5-cent loaf.

PRESIDENT GIVES VIEWS.

In regard to the calling of public mass meetings to fix the cost of bread, Adolph Schwedhelm, president of the Alameda County Master Bakers' Association, said:

"We believe that the public should be given an opportunity to decide whether they want inferior bread for 5 cents or want to pay 6 cents for a high standard loaf. It is a question of quality and price. The public will decide whether they want to pay 5 cents for a loaf of inferior quality or 6 cents for a loaf of high quality."

He said that the new "jitney" loaf, with less sugar, less fat and less milk in its make-up than went into the 5-cent loaf a few weeks ago, was turned out yesterday by the master bakers.

Said Schwedhelm: "The new loaf is a high quality loaf. It is a question of quality and price. The public will decide whether they want to pay 5 cents for a loaf of inferior quality or 6 cents for a loaf of high quality."

BREAD WAR STARTS.

FRESNO, Dec. 12.—A bread war was declared here today when many consumers in this city lined up behind the San Joaquin Baking Company, local insurgent of the Master Bakers' Association, who were selling for 10 cents today the standard loaf which has been selling for 12 cents.

The master bakers, however, retaliated with the threat to undersell the San Joaquin company's product.

"SMALL BLACK" GOES UP.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—A charge of 5 cents for each "small black," in addition to a charge for other dishes, will be made by a number of downtown restaurant and cafe proprietors, owing to the high cost of living. Baked, boiled or mashed potatoes, heretofore, cost 5 cents. The menu with bread and butter will be charged against the diner at 5 cents. Three pieces of butter and as many "loaves of bread" will be charged for at the same rate.

Freight Terminal Site Changes Ownership

Title to thirty acres of land occupied by the Santa Fe railroad and bounded by Alameda, Fallon, First streets and the estuary, have been transferred from the Santa Fe Land Improvement Company, agent for the railroad, to the California, Arizona and Santa Fe Company, the closing of the agency of the improvement company in the transaction by which the line across the valuable Adams property, which called for a purchase price of \$1,223,614.

A year ago last July the big freight depot was completed for the Santa Fe at Adams point, making it one of the most as a great freight terminal. A \$10,000 crane for unloading cars is among the improvements, while a network of tracks has been laid about the thirty-acre tract.

At the time all Oakland was interested in the big improvements being made, heralding the arrival of a Santa Fe terminal in Oakland.

It is believed in some quarters that the transfer winds up the affairs of the improvement company.

Gifts Worth Giving

Lorgnettes, latest designs. Chains, Lorgnette and Eyeglasses. Opera Glasses from the world's famous makers. Prism Binoculars and Field Glasses. Eyeglass Cases, Silver and Fine Leather. Clinical Thermometers for your physician. Reels in all materials. Starmeters to forecast the weather. Reading Glasses for your library table. Multifone Auriphones for the deaf. Automobile Glasses. Miscellaneous Orders (always appreciated).

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161 Post St., 2508 Mission St. San Francisco.

Tribune First With News of Peace Offers

Four counties and a score of cities were impressed with TRIBUNE supremacy this morning, when this paper gave FIRST news of Germany's peace proposals.

TRIBUNE extras were FIRST on the streets of Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda.

TRIBUNE extras were FIRST in San Jose, having been hustled to that city in a Studebaker Six in record time.

TRIBUNE extras were FIRST on the streets of Stockton.

TRIBUNE extras were FIRST in cities and towns between Oakland and San Jose; FIRST in Richmond and other Contra Costa county cities; FIRST in Vallejo and Solano county; FIRST in Hayward, Niles, Livermore and Pleasanton.

The TRIBUNE'S beat was clean and complete.

The TRIBUNE was FIRST.

What I'm doing TONIGHT

Men's League dinner, First Congregational Church, 5:30.

Civil Service Board meets, City Hall.

Merchants' Exchange meets, 8.

Native Sons and Daughters give benefit whist tournament, Hotel Oakland.

Annual meeting Y. M. C. A., Berkeley.

Forcy Granger gives concert, Berkeley Musical Association, Harmon Gymnasium, Berkeley.

Y. M. I. holds whist party, Knights of Columbus Hall.

"Romero and Juliet," Alameda High School.

Orpheus Club concert, Municipal Theater.

Unity Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, installs officers, Alcatraz Hall, 8:30.

Prof. R. S. Holway lecture, Claremont School.

Orpheum-Maryland Singers and vaudeville.

Bishop—"On Trial."

Fantasia—"The Gipsy Camp" and vaudeville.

Macedonough—"Intolerance."

Macdonough—"The Folies of Youth."

T. C. D.—Pauline Frederick in "Nanette of the Wilds."

Franklin—William S. Hart in "The Devil's Double."

Edw. G. Wallace—Viola Dana in "The Gates of Eden."

Broadway—Margaret Edwards in "Hypocrites."

Hypocrites—Jim Post in "Hot Nights."

CONVICTS, IN HIDING, ARE RECAPTURED

"Forty-Year" Smith and Frank Williams, Escapes, Spent Time in Warden's House While Officers Scoured State

Located by Guard, Secreted Under Staircase; Lived on Scraps and Planned Getaway After Hue and Cry Ended

SAN RAPHAEL, Dec. 12.—John T. (Forty-Year) Smith and Frank Williams, two San Quentin prison convicts, for whom the country has been combed since their escape last Thursday, were found today in Warden James A. Johnston's house. Pat Connelly, a guard, who had searched the house twice previously and could not "get away from the idea they were there," finally found them crouched beneath a stairway. Smith and Williams had lived comfortably on bread, scraps of meat and water.

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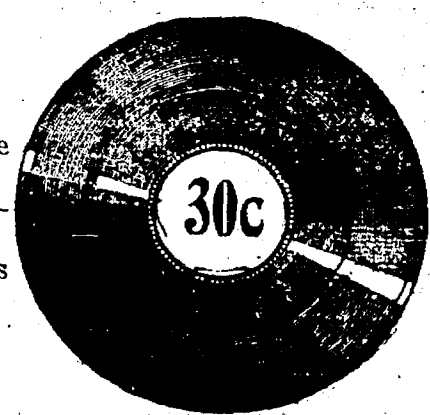
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Uncertainty as to who will be chief clerk and sergeant-at-arms of the Lower House makes contests for those posts close. Moses Stern of San Francisco, first assistant clerk at the last session, is a candidate for chief clerk.

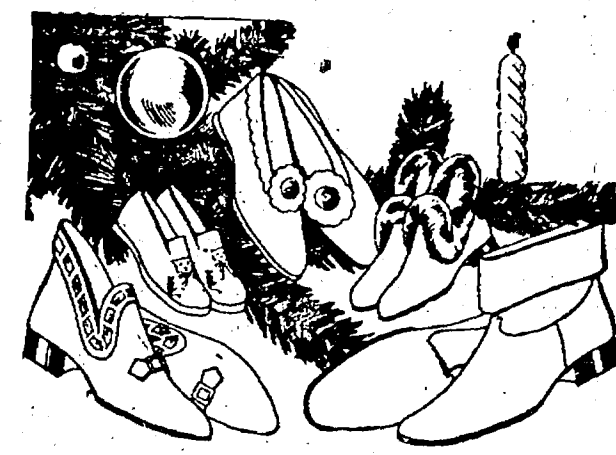
Transport Is Aground; Women, Children Safe

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The United States army transport Sumner, bound from Colon to this port with army officers, troops and civilian passengers, is hard aground on the New Jersey coast off Barnegate. The coast guard cutters Sagadahoc and Albatross, under forced draught, are rushing to the relief of the transport, which sent out calls for help after she struck late last night in a fog.

The women and children among the 232 passengers on the Sumner have all been taken off in life boats according to a message received from Captain Weber of the transport.

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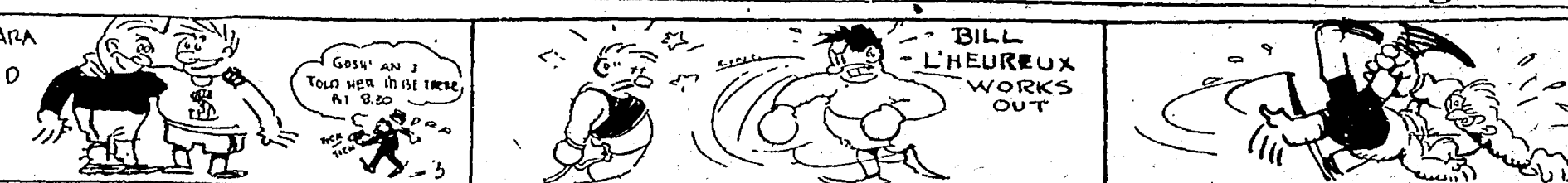
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SPORT PAGE

'Tis the last of the cup
And the ebb of the year
When the wrestlers show up,
Gee, the prospect is drear.

SANTA CLARA
AND
STANFORD
50-50
AGAIN.

Maurice McLoughlin, Who Was Once a Comet, Now a Falling Star



EDITED BY
EXPERT STAFF

Basketball is with us,
It's a game of dash and dare
And noble athletes run around
In nifty undergar.

MAJOR LEAGUES
FACING ANOTHER
POWERFUL FIGHT

Class AA Circuits Back of the
International in War for
Equal Rights.

(By H. C. HAMILTON.)
United Press Staff Correspondent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—With the International league club owners battling their heads against the supposed impregnable wall of organized baseball, magnates of the National league probably will have more than a few trades, the Brooklyn-Herrmann fuss, and the status of the McGraw team to interest them when they meet in annual session in New York territory to Charles H. Ebbetts.

The National league is going to find plenty of time to talk over what should be done to the class of the league which has defied precedent and Garry Herrmann in refusing to put \$3000 for the New York territory to Charles H. Ebbetts.

There is a well founded belief in baseball circles that the class of the league has had more than one object in view when they met with the International league, the last point of agreement with them, without any representation on that commission.

They want that representation and they are prepared to go the limit to get it.

The big leagues are facing another fight which may mean that protection will be withdrawn from the International league and the same may be followed in the American Association and the Pacific Coast league, provided the league is not in the national commission.

The big leagues have it in their power to prevent this fight by force, but a revision in the national commission and the minors will have a hand in this with Garry Herrmann.

Charles H. Ebbetts, president of the Cubs, is expected to make his new manner this afternoon. A whole lot full of trades in the air but most of them will be taken up by the International league, and the Eastern clubs must be strengthened, but the Easterners are not cutting away from their best rolling stock.

AMATEUR
BASEBALL

AMBER TEAM BEATEN.

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OVERALL AND BROWN IN
MARKET FOR VERNON CLUB

If Tom Darmody's Option Expires Two Ex-Cub Pitchers May Buy Team

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—Would it surprise you to learn that Tom Darmody, who was once a comet, now a falling star, is in the market for the Vernon club? Well, that is just what is happening. The Vernon club, which was once a comet, now a falling star, is in the market for the Vernon club. The Vernon club, which was once a comet, now a falling star, is in the market for the Vernon club.

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OAKLAND FANS
LOOK TO BROOKLYN

Expect Infield Salvation Will Be
Offered by Flatbush
Squire.

(By BILLY FITZ.)
In discussing the infield needs of the Oakland club and the prospect for that much maligned department of play, the average fan is culling for a new deal all around and is not willing to admit that the club has even the nucleus of an infield at the present writing.

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The WHISKERING BALL
BASEBALL'S MOST EXTRA-
ORDINARY STORY.

By Hugh Fullerton

The Boston Greens, in their fight for the world's title, suddenly developed a losing streak which made them the object of nation wide speculation. The players hear the ball whisper to them and are blinded by mysterious flames of light. One of their number is under suspicion, until found murdered near a gambling house. The mysterious signal continues. Captain Gordon employs Professor Terpening, a scientist, to help unravel the mystery. Suspicion points to a stepson of Holiday, owner of the club. Helen Holiday is kidnapped. Holiday collapses. Gordon finds in Professor Terpening's room a photo of Lester as a boy. The Greens end the season with the Blues equipped with ruby glasses to guard them against the mysterious blinding flames.

There was no talk of quitting when they met for the third game of the series, which meant so much for both teams and their fans. The men went into the game with set teeth and grim determination.

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SANTELL AND
LEWIS READY
FOR BIG MATCH

Decision Feature Popular With
Fans, Who Look for Great
Struggle.

Tonight's wrestling match at the Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, between Strangler Lewis and Ad Santell, presents quite a new feature in this sport. In professional wrestling, the terms for all matches generally call for the best two out of three falls, and in a limited contest, if neither man obtains a fall the match is called a draw. The big draw-back to a limited contest has been that neither man would take a chance and there was a lot of stalling which made the bout uninteresting.

In tonight's match Santell and Lewis will have to wrestle to a decision if a fall is not obtained.

Tiv Kreling, who will referee the contest, has instructed both men that stalling will go against them in the final summing up of the bout.

Billy Sandow, who manages Lewis, says as for as the fans are concerned the referee will be spared the trouble of declaring a winner as Lewis will surely take the two falls before the two hours.

Both men limbered up a bit today and are in perfect condition. Lewis will enter the ring weighing 230 pounds, while Santell will tip the scale at 185.

Win or lose, Lewis will leave after the match with his manager, Billy Sandow, and take in the races in the south, then start east as he is booked in matches all over the southern and eastern country.

He claims to lose to a small man like Santell would mean the cancelling of most of his engagements, so he has to win. Santell says: "I will do my best."

There is to be but one preliminary, a fifteen-minute bout between Young Sampson and Andrew Holmer, who will start proceedings at 8:30. This should bring the main event on the mat shortly before 9 o'clock.

MATCH IS POSTPONED.
RACINE, Wis., Dec. 11.—The match between Joe Willing and Ritchie Mitchell, scheduled here for Thursday night, has been postponed until December 20, or possibly until after Christmas. Failure of Willing's manager to sign the articles was given as the reason.

OLE OLSON IS
SOUGHT AS TIGER

Vernon Officials Are to Grab
Man Who Was "Goat" of
Big Series.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—A hero one day and a dud the next—say they say of him a Brooklyn Dodger last season and the Vernon club. The Vernon club is looking for him, and the Vernon club is looking for him.

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Chesterfields have done "the impossible"—they satisfy and yet they are not strong. They are MILD! Chesterfields do for your smoking what bacon and eggs do for your breakfast—they satisfy.

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SANTA CLARA WALLEPS "Y."

The Santa Clara Varsity basketball team defeated the San Jose Y. M. C. A. team in a game played at the Santa Clara gymnasium. The game was a feature of the Varsity basketball season. The game was a feature of the Varsity basketball season.

SPECIAL NOTICES

Just Say You Saw It In
The TRIBUNE.

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AT 12:30 P. M. BR 504

ERNEST FRIEDBERG, Auctioneer.

COTTON MARKET

New York, Dec. 12.—Spot cotton quiet; middling, 18.85; sales, 800 bales.

FUTURES.

Closing quotations:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	17.72	18.55	17.70	18.15
February	18.60	19.40	18.55	19.00
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ROWELL BLAMED FOR LOSING STATE

"His Latest Explanation Is the Funniest," Declares Dr. Butler.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Morning newspapers here print a statement from Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia University repudiating a statement by Chester Rowell printed in Sunday's Tribune charging that the loss of California's electoral vote to Hughes was due to his (Butler's) influence. In this statement Dr. Butler says:

"I must admit Mr. Rowell's explanation of the loss of California's vote was due to my influence. There is not one word of truth in his statement. Having been caught by public opinion with the goods on his person, he cries 'Stop thief!' at the first respectable man he sees walking down the street. The one overwhelming fact is that Mr. Rowell, as chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, conducted the campaign in California. He had \$25,000 turned over to him by Mr. Crocker and he had the cordial support of Mr. Crocker, Mr. Keessling and all the regular Republicans. He produced a majority of nearly 300,000 for his friend Governor Johnson for senator and a minority of more than 300,000 for his friend, Governor Hughes, for president. His own city and county gave large majorities for both Wilson and Johnson.

This is the sixth or seventh separate explanation that Governor Johnson and Mr. Rowell have offered of

Mere Men Not to Even Be Heard So Says New Mayoress; To Have Female Chief

UMATILLA, Ore., Dec. 12.—"Our women can do many things and effect reforms that men would never dare attempt. That's why we are going to keep men out of this administration altogether."

This was the declaration today of Mrs. Laura J. Starcher, who beat her husband for the mayoralty of Umatilla and carried a solid women's ticket into office with her. She says:

"There has been some talk about having a man for chief of police. Nothing of the kind. I will appoint a woman to that office. If there is occasion for work that she cannot perform, we will name a deputy for the occasion. But we will keep Umatilla peaceful. We women will allow no law-breakers here."

It was learned today that the women's ticket which beat the men to a frazzle was nominated at a "card party caucus." The members of the feminine "slate" were invited and informed that they had been chosen to run things in Umatilla. No ballots were printed for the election. The men were ambushed and snowed under. Says the mayoress:

"Umatilla will be given a business administration and a progressive administration. We will undo a lot of things the men did and do a lot of things they overlooked."

The result in California and it is the funniest.

REVOKE LICENSE OF RESTAURANT

Warrant Issued for Manager Brizzolari of Barnum Cafe.

The liquor license of the Barnum restaurant, Seventh street and Broadway, was revoked by the City Council today. Warrants were issued for the arrest of John Brizzolari, the manager, on a charge of conducting a resort and for the arrest of C. Cereghino, one of the proprietors, for alleged assault of a waiter who approached him for his pay last night.

Commissioner of Public Health and Safety Jackson, in a communication to the Council today, gave his endorsement of the recommendation made by Chief of Police Petersen yesterday that the Barnum license be revoked.

Winners Announced in Essay Prize Contest

ALAMEDA, Dec. 12.—The winners of the Dr. William Tappan Linn bronze medals in the Alameda grammar school colonial history competition were announced today. There were 168 essays submitted. The winners are: Lincoln school, Chester Rucellat; Porter school, Josephine Case Sutton; Haight school, Elmer Haight; Washington school, Burton A. Sorenson. The final medal award also offered by Dr. Linn, and to be competed for by the above winners, will be announced on the closing day of school.

Miss Elmer Haight, winner of the Haight school bronze medal, is a granddaughter of the pioneer Alameda man whose honor the school was named.

JAPAN HAS CROW TO PICK WITH U. S.

Immigration Problem Coming Up When War in Europe Is Over.

TOKIO, Dec. 12.—Japanese approval is given here today to the statement made in America by Baron Sakatani that after the war Japan would attempt to bring about a settlement of her immigration problem with the United States.

While the Japanese never have voiced the desire to break the gentleman's agreement, they feel that it is a most unsatisfactory arrangement. With the rise of Japan's power and her world commerce the sentiment that the American ruling is discriminatory becomes stronger. The belief that a revival of the question is inevitable is expressed by some persons as the leading newspaper of the capital.

"Baron Sakatani only voiced the sentiment of the Japanese nation," says the Asahi in speaking of the baron's declaration in the United States. "Why should the Japanese embassy have found it necessary to deny his statement? That the Japanese-American problem must be solved was a most representative opinion for Baron Sakatani to give."

"The gentlemen's agreement was not a fundamental solution. It was only a temporizing method. Baron

NEW ENGINEER TAKES CITY JOB

Hunt in Office in San Jose; No Contest to Be Made, Is Said.

SAN JOSE, Dec. 12.—Walter H. Hunt entered upon his duties as city engineer yesterday, despite the allegations that he has not had the required number of years of practical experience provided for in the charter. City Manager Thomas H. Reed issued a statement in which he invited the protest against the appointment to come forward and make a formal charge, saying that it would be unfair to allow Hunt to serve any considerable time and then attempt to hold up his pay.

Reed in his statement gives a detailed account of the appointment of a practical experience that Hunt has had as an engineer and feels confident that this is sufficient. From information gathered the plan to stop the appointment of Hunt may not be pushed.

TAKES OWN LIFE.

M. Madsen, proprietor of a cigar stand at 533 Broadway, committed suicide last night in a rooming house at 806 Broadway by inhaling gas. Financial troubles are believed to have been the cause of the act. The body is at the morgue.

Sakatani expressed the wishes of the Japanese nation that the two countries come to a perfect understanding of each other so the issues pending may be solved satisfactorily to all concerned."

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